

# 2007 Bucher Vineyard Pinot Noir

## WINEMAKER COMMENTS

The aromas of ripe Bing cherries, roses, cola and mocha lift from your glass. Concentrated flavors of maraschino cherries, strawberry, cola, Asian spices and forest floor are complemented by the sweet and creamy grape tannin in the finish. The thin hillside soils from this ranch have added a vast amount of strength and complexity to this wine in 2007.

—Winemaker Bob Cabral

## THE VINEYARD

The Bucher Vineyard is located about 1 ½ miles north of Williams Selyem winery on Westside Road. It is planted primarily to Dijon clones 667 and 777, with an Arbuckle gravely loam soil.

## HARVEST 2007

The 2007 vintage has produced wines of extremely high quality, wines that are each brilliant expressions of their sites. The growing season was distinguished by its evenness with a cool finish. The summer months were characterized by warm, sunny, near-perfect weather with very few heat spikes during the fruit ripening stage of the vine growth cycle. This resulted in very uniform ripening and optimal development of intense varietal flavors, aromas and expression. The wines of 2007 convey their unique characters in a manner more vivid, precise and evocative than we have come to anticipate. In a decade of exceptional vintages, this one really stands above all others.

## **TECHNICAL NOTES**

Barrel Description: 60% new oak, 40% 1-year-old

Barrel Aged: 16 months

pH: 3.55

TA: 0.63g/100ml

Alc: 13.9%

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