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# 2007 Flax Vineyard Pinot Noir

#### WINEMAKER COMMENTS

Blackberry, boysenberry, plum, cola and mushroom aromas come to life in the glass. Rich, fat and broad tannins harmonize the focus of berry and spicy flavors. Intense black fruit and spicy flavors develop nicely across your palate. Extremely cellar worthy.

-Winemaker Bob Cabral

## THE VINEYARD

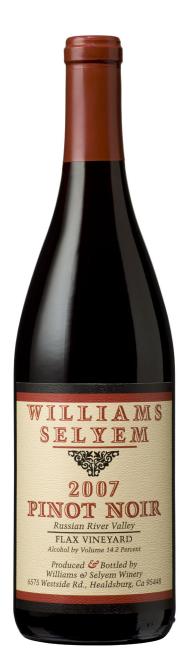
The Flax Vineyard is located just south of our winemaking facility, in the Russian River Valley. Three blocks totaling 9 acres make up this unique vineyard. Planted in 1996, the UCD4 (Pommard) clonal selection on 3309P rootstock seems to have found a home in the fractured sandstone soils of this region.

## 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: 67% new oak, 33% 1-year-old Barrel Aged: 17 months pH: 3.55 TA: 0.58g/100mL Alc: 14.2% Released Fall 2009 \$54



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