



ANGELA ESTATE 2015 “ANGELA VINEYARD” PINOT NOIR

VINTAGE NOTES

The 2015 vintage is considered among winemakers, one of the biggest and most plentiful vintages on record. Bud break was three weeks early, a trend that continued into 2016. This vintage was drier and warmer than usual, resulting in large, ripe clusters and lots of it. Yields were almost double in some cases, resulting in four to five tons per acre! 2015 was the hottest year in the world and thankfully the last three weeks cooled significantly in the Willamette Valley, returning acid and sugars to balance. Pinots from 2015 will display pronounced aromas, deep color, ripe developed flavors, with alcohols ranging from 13 – 14%.

HARVEST & WINEMAKING NOTES

Every wine produced under the Angela Estate label is single vineyard, estate Pinot Noir. The vines are farmed nutritionally, which treats the microbiology in the vineyards section by section. Soil and stem samples are analyzed for nutritional value. It is the most specific grape farming imaginable.

Our fruit is hand harvested in the early morning in small 14” buckets. It is then hand sorted and de-stemmed, deposited into one-ton bins for small-batch fermentations. After fermentation, the free-run juice is settled and put into barrel. The must is placed in “The Girls,” specialized bladder presses for gentle pressing that do not exceed one atmosphere of pressure. The wine rests for 11 months in 30% new French oak barrels. We like Cadus barrels for their warm tonality.

WINE STATISTICS

APPELLATION: 100% Yamhill-Carlton AVA

COMPOSITION: 100% Pinot Noir

AGEING: 11 months in 30% NFO

CASE PRODUCTION: 8500 cases (9L)

TA: 5.7 g/L

ALCOHOL: 13.5%

pH: 3.75

SUGGESTED RETAIL: \$42

ANGELA VINEYARD

Planted in 2006 by Ken Wright and crew, the Angela Vineyard is located in the Yamhill-Carlton AVA. The soils are ancient marine sediment soils: Wellsdale, Peavine, Willakenzie & Melbourne. The elevation runs between 250’ – 400’. The clonal selection is: Wadenswil (17 acres) Dijon 777 (12 acres) and Dijon 115 (5 acres) on Riparia Gloire, 101-14 & 3309 rootstocks.

Located on the Savannah Ridge, a unique outcropping of soil that leaves our site drier and accesses mother rock in 5 – 7 years.

