



PINOT NOIR

65TA7\* 2014 CHEHALEM (chuh-HAY-lum) wines are the product of three remarkable vineyards and one unquenchable curiosity. Any questions? **chehalemwines.com**.

PRODUCED AND BOTTLED BY CHEHALEN 31190 NE Veritas Lane, Newberg, OR • (503) 538-470 MADE IN THE U.S.A. 14.0% ALC. BY VOL. CONTAINS SULFITES. 750 ML
GOVERMMENT WARNING: (1) ACCORDING TO THE SURGEON
GENERAL, WOMEN SHOULD NOT DRINK ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES
DURING PREGNANCY BECAUSE OF THE RISK OF BIRTH DEFECTS
(2) CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES IMPAIRS YOUR
ABILITY TO DRIVE A CAR OR OPERATE MACHINERY, AND MAY
CAUSE HEALTH PROBLEMS.



## 2014 THREE VINEYARD PINOT NOIR

## VINTAGE NOTES

2014 was one of those rare vintages when everyone is excited—writers and winemakers love the quality, grape growers had no handwringing to do, and yields pleased bankers, which also means customers will see reasonable prices! Wine quality is excellent, based on full ripeness, probably the cleanest fruit we've seen in decades, and restrained extraction in fermentation to compensate for the warmest growing season on record. Despite the warmth of over 2800 degree days, good cropload balance and harvest timing gave us reasonable alcohols, averaging just under 14%. Whites are lush and gorgeously fruited. Pinot noir colors are appropriately rich but not deep, wines not tannic or over-extracted, and all's right with the world.

## WINEMAKERS NOTES

Like 2012 3 Vineyard Pinot Noir in size, but sleeker, this vintage is deeply colored, seriously structured with perfect balance, light silk nap tannin and a firmness and richness of sweetness, glove leather and bing cherries; although a bit closed in its youth, this brilliant wine exhibits notes of cherry danish, brioche, baking cocoa, meatiness, dusty plum, pomegranate, pipe tobacco, smokiness, minerality and spices; portends well for later 2014 releases.

## TECHNICAL NOTES

GRAPES & VINEYARDS 100% Estate-Grown Pinot Noir from Ridgecrest Vineyards (60%), Corral Creek Vineyards (31%), and Stoller Vineyards (9%), Willamette Valley AVA, Oregon.

Harvest Data Harvested 9/17-10/8/14 @ 23.2-25.9 brix, 3.31-3.90 pH, and 3.2-5.0 g/L TA, from 1.6-

3.9 tons per acre cropload.

FERMENTATION & COOPERAGE

8-22 days total fermentation, with 3-9 days pre-maceration. Aged 11 months in barrel,

racked once or twice. 8% new and 12% 1-year-old French oak barrels.

BOTTLING Crossflow filtered; bottled 9/1-9/2/2015.

BOTTLING ANALYSES 14.0% alcohol, 6.4 g/l TA, 3.47 pH

AMOUNT PRODUCED 6,674 cases

SUGGESTED RETAIL \$32

RELEASE DATE February, 2016



We make sustainability a priority in farming our vineyards and making our wine. Visit live.org for more information on the Low Input Viticulture and Enology program.

CHEHALEM wines are the product of three remarkable vineyards and one unquenchable curiosity. Any question? chehalemwines.com or (503) 537-5553