

CHEHALEM 2013 THREE VINEYARD PINOT GRIS

VINTAGE NOTES

2013 is a Tale of Two Harvests—one very early and one normal, with rain in-between. They started as one very early harvest thanks to a very consistent, warm growing season, the warmest on record up to final ripening mid-September. An unanticipated 30-year rain event of 5 inches then appeared the last days of September, made of remnants from a typhoon that had hit Japan. Cool weather from then on slowed ripening and turned harvest into two discrete picks, earlier and later picks apart by up to three weeks showing very good quality, the coolness and longer hang-time a big benefit. Croploads were moderate-to-high, wines early-on similar in nature to 1996, with richness, and deep spice.

WINEMAKERS NOTES

Beautiful fresh aromatic notes of hang-dried linens, white blossom, Asian pear, and lemon curd greet us on the entry, with lingering hints of candied ginger and butterscotch on the finish of the nose. The palate is especially balanced, showing warmth and spice from a warmer summer in the form of dried apricot, peach pit, and rose petal. The summer fruits are followed by pleasantly lithe acidity and the balancing fruit sweetness of salmon berries, tart cherry, and mandarin, all brought on by a cooler finish to the harvest season.

TECHNICAL NOTES

GRAPES & VINEYARDS 100% Estate-Grown Pinot Gris from Corral Creek (33%), Stoller (31%), and

Ridgecrest (36%) Vineyards, Willamette Valley AVA, Oregon.

Harvest Data Harvested 9/19-10/6/13 @ 20.2-21.2 brix, 3.20-3.51 pH, and 5.0-6.2 g/L TA, from 0.3-3.8 tons per acre cropload.

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FERMENTATION & COOPERAGE Cold stabilized, crossflow and sterile filtered; bottled 3/4-3/5/2014.

BOTTLING Crossflow and sterile filtered; bottled 9/18/2012.

BOTTLING ANALYSES 11.9% alcohol, 7.05 g/l TA, 3.15 pH, 1.0% residual sugar

AMOUNT PRODUCED 1909 cases

SUGGESTED RETAIL \$22

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