

WILLIAMS SELYEM



2012 Eastside Road Neighbors Pinot Noir

WINEMAKER COMMENTS

Blended from unique sites along the Eastside Road ridgeline above the Russian River, the Eastside Road Neighbors offers an explosion of fruit on the nose and palate. On the nose, notes of blackberry, black cherry, mulberry and dried rose petals mix with subtle notes of sarsaparilla root. Round at the entry, blackberry and anise complete each sip, with hints of vanilla bean and wood spices on the finish. The excellent weight and balanced acidity gives a wonderful shape on the palate. This vintage can be enjoyed in its youth because of its lively nature but will age well and develop even more secondary aromas and flavors in years to come.

THE VINEYARDS

The Pinot Noir for this blend was sourced from four unique sites along Eastside Road: Calegari Vineyards, Black Rose Vineyard, Archer Vineyard, and Foss Vineyard.

HARVEST 2012

Simply put, the 2012 vintage was amazing in many respects. After the cool growing seasons of 2010 and 2011, which resulted in excellent quality but very low yields, Mother Nature was smiling on us in 2012 with superb growing conditions for a bountiful harvest. The exceptional weather during the spring allowed for moderate vegetative growth, superb flowering conditions and an above average fruit set — berries and clusters sized up beyond original expectations. 2012 was a vintage where ripe mature stems, seeds and skin tannins were achieved with harmoniously balanced natural acidity. Enveloped with pure intense aromas, juicy flavors and rich textures, these structured wines are clearly the result of a truly extraordinary vintage. A vintage like this, where everything comes together perfectly, is rare and will certainly be a vintage to enjoy for many years to come!

TECHNICAL NOTES

Barrel Description: 60% new, 40% 1 year

Barrel Aged: 15 months

pH: 3.50

TA: 0.65g/100mL

Alc: 13.7%

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