ADELSHEIM

2015 ELIZABETH'S RESERVE PINOT NOIR

DESCRIPTORS:

BLUEBERRY PERSISTENCE VOLUME

RELEASE DATE:

March 10, 2019

SUGGESTED RETAIL:

\$50

COMPOSITION:

100% Pinot noir

APPELLATION:

Willamette Valley AVA

FERMENTATION:

The grapes were hand harvested and gently transferred into stainless steel tanks for 2-3 weeks of fermentation.

Once fermentation is complete the grapes are gently pressed and settled, then racked to barrel to undergo malo-lactic fermentation.

AGING:

The wine was aged for 12 months in French oak barrels, of which 28% were new.

ALCOHOL | pH:

13.5% | 3.51

PRODUCTION:

3,704 cases | 12 / 750ml bottles 138 cases | 6 / 1.5L bottles

HARVEST DATES:

September 11, 2015

BOTTLING DATES:

February 27, 2017





2015 HARVEST

In many ways, 2015 followed the 2014 vintage, but taken to the next level. Bud break started the third week of March, and after a slightly cool April, temperatures soared. An ideal bloom period led to abundant fruit set, and the vines hung heavy with clusters. Over the season, we set the record for days over 90, and broke 2014's record for growing degree-days. With the hot, dry summer, harvest started early with the first grapes coming in on September 3rd. To our great relief, September temperatures dropped into the normal range. We were able to leave fruit on the vine, developing more mature tannins and complex flavors, and ended the season with a large production of incredible, fruit-driven wines.

NOTES FROM WINEMAKER, GINA HENNEN

"Ahh, the final Elizabeth's Reserve. Nothing I can say will do this wine justice. As with all of our versions of Lizzie, there's just so much going on in this wine. There is a lovely delineated fruit profile on the nose followed by notes of cedar bark, baking spices, cocoa, and loam. I love the texture—there's volume and persistence, but with that tight-knit underpinning that to me defines the Elizabeth's Reserve."

VINEYARD

The grapes in this wine come entirely from LIVE certified sustainable vineyards in the north Willamette Valley.