ADELSHEIM

2015 RIBBON SPRINGS VINEYARD PINOT NOIR

DESCRIPTORS:

RASPBERRY LILAC SUPPLE

RELEASE DATE:

March 20, 2018

SUGGESTED RETAIL:

\$75

COMPOSITION:

100% Pinot noir

APPELLATION:

Ribbon Ridge AVA

FERMENTATION:

The grapes were gently destemmed and fed via gravity into stainless steel tanks. The wine was cold soaked and fermented over an 18-day period. Upon completion of fermentation the wine was pressed and settled, then racked to barrel to undergo malo-lactic fermentation

AGING:

Aged for 10 months in small French oak barrels, 33% new.

ALCOHOL | pH:

13.5% | 3.56

PRODUCTION:

528 cases | 12 / 750ml bottles 23 cases | 6 / 1.5L bottles

HARVEST DATES:

September 9, 2015

BOTTLING DATES:

August 15, 2016





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

"There's a burst of lovely red fruit on the nose and a subtle cinnamon bark-like quality as well as some beguiling floral notes hovering in the background—lilac or violet, perhaps even daphne. I love the texture of this wine. There's such an elegant suppleness, almost like silk."

VINEYARD

This estate vineyard, our largest at nearly 60 acres, is situated in the sedimentary soils of the illustrious Ribbon Ridge AVA. Our two favorite blocks are used for this special single vineyard wine. All Pommard clone, on both 3309 and 101-14 rootstocks.