



2008 RUNAWAY RED PINOT NOIR

ABOUT

PEACE! BREAD! LAND! WINE!

THIS ISN'T ABOUT TROTSKY. IT IS ABOUT HARVEST. AN EXTRA BARREL. THE MIDDLE OF THE NIGHT. IT IS ABOUT THE MORNING AIR BEGINNING AND THE METALLIC SNAP AS THE BARREL SKIDDED OFF THE RACK AND ROLLED OUT INTO THE DARKNESS. IT IS ABOUT THE HORRIBLE ACCELERATING, THE SPLASH AND A GUT-WRENCHING DISAPPOINTMENT. IT IS ABOUT FINDING THE BARREL NESTLED, INTACT, BETWEEN THE SHOULDERS OF THE CREEK. THIS BOTTLING IS ABOUT PLEASANT SURPRISES, DEEP LAUGHTER AND GOOD FRIENDS.

WINE

Runaway Red Pinot Noir

VINTAGE

2008

APPELLATION

Willamette Valley

VINEYARDS

Ankeny, Dion & Echo Hill

PRODUCTION

745 cases

ALCOHOL

12.4%

SUGGESTED RETAIL

\$20. | bottle

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WINEMAKING NOTES

OUR GOAL WITH THE RUNAWAY RED IS TO CREATE A LIGHTER BODIED PINOT NOIR WITH BRIGHT RED FRUIT FLAVORS. NOTHING TOO AGGRESSIVE ON THE PALATE, WITH FINER GRAIN TANNINS AND PLEASANT ACIDITY. THE GRAPES WERE HAND SORTED AND 100% DESTEMMED. THEY FERMENTED IN INDIVIDUAL LOTS AND WENT THROUGH A COLD SOAK FOR 7-20 DAYS. AFTER RACKING TO BARREL, THE WINES AGED FOR TEN MONTHS IN 80% OLDER BARRELS AND 20% NEW FRENCH AND HUNGARIAN OAK. UNFINED AND FILTERED.

TASTING NOTES

THE COLOR IS RUBY RED FROM RIM TO THE CENTER. VERY PINOT NOIR. ON THE NOSE, BEAUTIFUL AROMAS OF MINERALS, DUSTY BLACK AND BING CHERRIES, CHERRY PIPE TOBACCO, EARTH, RASPBERRIES, BLACKBERRIES, BLACK PEPPER, AND A BASKET FULL OF WILD STRAWBERRIES POUR FROM THE GLASS. AS THE WINE SITS IN THE GLASS MORE DARK AND COMPLEX AROMATICS OF GAME, CLOVES, BLUEBERRIES, ORANGE PEEL AND DRIED HERBS EMERGE. IN THE MOUTH, THE WINE MIRRORS THE AROMATICS WITH A FOCUSED ATTACK WITH RIPE ACIDITY AND BRIGHT RED AND BLUE FRUITS. THE WINE CONTINUES ON THE PALATE WITH RIPE, DUSTY TANNINS AND JUICY RED FRUITS. THE WINE IS YOUNG RIGHT NOW, BUT THE MID-PALLET OFFERS RICHNESS AND COMPLEXITY. THE WINE FINISHES CLEAN, PURE AND LONG. CLASSIC, SUCCULENT, BALANCED AND JUICY THE 2008 RUNAWAY WHILE BUILT FOR NEAR TERM DRINKING WILL HAVE NO PROBLEM AGING FOR YEARS TO COME.



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