



2009 Cuvée Exceptionnelle Pinot Noir

Dark and brooding Pinot Noir with tremendous ageing potential. Sweet aggressive tannins from 18 months barrel time. Eucalyptus, cocoa, and cigar box but all very subdued. A lot of grip that is appealing now and will develop into sensuous body later. Baked cherry and blackberry cobbler with caramelized crust. Rich velvet chocolate warm cake. This wine will benefit from at least one more year in bottle and will peak around 2017.

Color: Deep garnet almost opaque

Aroma: Red roses, faint hints of oak, well done cherry pie

Mouth feel: Full-bodied

Flavor: Cocoa, French oak, wet dark earth

Finish : Very balanced but aggressive tannins that will even out with more bottle aging

Vineyards:

Momtazi Vineyard - McMinnville AVA

Willakia Vineyard- Eola - Amity Hills AVA

Symonette Vineyard- Eola - Amity Hills AVA

Youngberg Hill Vineyard - McMinnville AVA

Quailhurst Vineyard - Chehalem Mountains AVA

Yeast Strain: Proprietary

Barrel Aging: 20 months in 100% French Oak

TA: .64 g/100mL

pH: 3.43

Alcohol level: 13.5%

Bottle Date: 4/27/11

Cases Produced: 70 cases



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