



2012 Le Pré du Col Vineyard Pinot Noir

The Ribbon Ridge AVA is a thin strip of land sandwiched between the Yamhill-Carlton and Chehalem Mountains AVA. This region is perhaps Oregon's most sought after AVA because of its small size and the quality of the grapes being grown here; not to mention the complexity of the wines that are produced as a result. Our 16 acre planting at Le Pré du Col has become a customer and Sommelier favorite over the past few years.

2012 is the 5th vintage from this vineyard and shows a tremendous floral, sweet and savory earthiness. This wine always reminds me of two things: Maitake mushrooms and Red Hots. There is a noble earth expression here that distinguishes this vineyard from our other estates. One smell and it can only be Le Pré du Col. Cinnamon, red fruits, Asian spices, beef bouillon and a strong floral component make this a tremendously enjoyable Pinot Noir in its youth, but with 1 to 3 years of bottle age it is sure to be a delicacy that was worth the wait. On the palate this wine is medium to full-bodied, viscous and coats your mouth with a silky texture. Flavors of woody mushroom and beef stock that are both savory and sweet wash over your taste buds. This wine would be a perfect pairing for lamb ragu or beef stew or mushroom dishes featuring Morels, Maitakes and Chanterelles to name a few. DRINK 2015-2023