



**Spindrift Cellars**

## **Pinot Noir 2015**

**Appellation:** Willamette Valley, Oregon

**Alcohol:** 14%

**T.A.:** 5.7 grams per liter

**pH:** 3.56



### **Wine:**

The fragrant mix of flowers and fruit introduces the wine. Centering on plum, currant fruit, lifted by balanced acidity. Finishes with a silky texture and a good lingering finish.

### **Wine making:**

Each vineyard produced separately in small 1.5 ton fermenters with the use of manual punch downs of the caps two times a day during fermentation. The wines from each vineyard after fermentation was then stored in French oak barrels for a number of months before being blended and bottled. Wines were bottled in Screwcap Closures to retain it great fruit flavors and aromas.

### **2015 Growing Season:**

The 2015 vintage started with bud break in March, two weeks early in our region. The early trend continued with higher than normal temperatures through spring, which created exceptional conditions for bloom, flower and fruit set. As spring gave way to summer, conditions continued to be warmer than usual and consequentially grape clusters were far larger than typical. All in all this has been one of those all too rare vintages where you get high yields and outstanding exceptional fruit quality.

### **Vineyards:**

Seven small vineyards located in the heart of the Willamette Valley. Many of the vineyards are over 15 years old and all dry farmed. Soil types are mostly Alluvial Soil (a fine-grained fertile soil deposited by water flowing over flood plains) and Bellpine series (consists of moderately deep, well drained soils that formed in colluvium and residuum derived from sedimentary rocks). Pinot Noir clones include: Pommard, Wädenswil, 115, 777 and 667. The vineyards average about 2.25 tons per acre

Spindrift Cellars is the "little winery that could", built by the hard work and passion of a dedicated husband and wife team. They started small, focusing on producing crisp, quality wines that display the true varietal characteristics of the grape. A great bottle of wine starts with great grapes, and our winemaker; Matt brings 20 years of experience and expertise to the husbandry of the vineyards in his care. Using "sustainable" practices he strives to produce fine wines that are sustainable from vine to bottle.