

# ELK COVE VINEYARDS

**Roosevelt Collectors Club Newsletter, May 2015**

Dear Roosevelt Wine Club Members,

First a big thanks for your continued patronage. Club members like you are our best ambassadors. You contribute to our continued success at the winery and around the country!

Bud break is upon us in the vineyard, a symbol of new beginnings. Although I've been Elk Cove for over seven years, I'm excited for my new position as your Wine Club Manager. Please reach out and connect with me.

If you plan a visit to Oregon I would love the opportunity to meet you. Take advantage of our Saturday Grand Tour and you'll see our vineyards and production facilities up close and learn a bit about Elk Cove's history. The tour also includes a Reserve Flight and barrel tasting when available. Saturday Grand Tours are complimentary for our Roosevelt Club Members. Reservations are recommended.

I look forward to meeting you and enhancing your wine club experience. Cheers!

-Kari Murphy, Roosevelt Club Manager



La Bohème Vineyard, Spring 2015

## This Month's Club Selection:



### **2012 Reserve - \$100 Retail**

Only the finest quality vintages warrant the production of a Reserve Pinot Noir. A blend of the finest 8 barrels in the cellar, we incorporated wine from each of our Single Vineyard lots to craft this very special wine. All the barrels were Burgundian coopered French oak barrels and 75% were new. The 2012 Reserve Pinot Noir displays seductive aromatics, richly concentrated black cherry fruit and amazing palate length.



### **2012 Virgin View - \$60 Retail**

Virgin View Vineyard sits in the heart of the Yamhill-Carlton AVA. Lovingly farmed by our friends Mark and Lee Schrepel, this vineyard has a steep South facing orientation and well drained marine-sediment soils. Harvested in early October, this wine comes from the Pommard clone of Pinot Noir and always displays sweet, black cherry fruit and a spice driven finish.



### **2012 La Bohème West Block - \$60 Retail**

The West Block of La Bohème was planted in the mid 1990's from a proprietary selection of cuttings from our Roosevelt Vineyard. Harvested October 9th, this high elevation site (800 feet) was one of our last Pinot Noir vineyards to be picked this year. Yields were held under 2 tons per acre and the wine was aged for 10 months in French oak barrels, 50% new. We utilized whole cluster fermentation to add a spicy complexity to the dark blackberry and black cherry fruit.

**Letter from the Winemaker:**

So far 2015 has shaped up to be very nice on the weather front. The dry weather has allowed us to finish up our new 12 acre Pinot Noir planting at Mount Richmond Vineyard. The warm weather has also given us a two week head start on the growing season, which could mean an early harvest...

The long term forecast is for a beautiful and warm Summer here in the Northwest. This will be good for ripening and will also provide great weather for our friends touring and tasting here in the Willamette Valley.

We love hosting our Roosevelt Club members so plan a visit soon. Here's to a great 2015 growing season!

-Adam Campbell, Winemaker & Owner



Old Vine Pinot Noir showing off its mossy top after the first cuts of the pruning season.

# May 2015: Celebrate Oregon Wine Month with Founding Families Wine Club Sharing!



## WILLAMETTE FOUNDING FAMILIES

May is Oregon Wine Month! Five of Oregon wine's founding families - Sokol Blosser, Adelsheim, Elk Cove, Eyrie and Ponzi - are celebrating by bringing benefits to all of our various wine club members with **Club Sharing**.

What is Club Sharing? Throughout the month of May, our Elk Cove Roosevelt Club Members will become extended wine club members at four wineries and receive their club benefits. Each winery offers slightly different perks, from complimentary tastings to discounts on bottle purchases and special events.

Please use the Roosevelt Club email sent to you on 4/27 to receive your benefits from other wineries. Questions? Call us!



*Left: Adam Campbell giving dad Joe a ride during their first spring on the Elk Cove property in 1974.*

This was the year the Campbell family planted their first grapevines.

*The Eyrie Vineyards*

ADELSHEIM

PONZI  
VINEYARDS



Sokol Blosser  
MAKERS OF FINE WINES  
*Est. 1971*

Special Promotions for Roosevelt Club members:

# 30% Case Discount on this Month's Club Selections!

Any 12 bottle combination of our **2012 Reserve**, **2012 Virgin View**, or **2012 La Bohème West Block** is eligible for the discount. Limited availability.

Please call 503-985-7760 or email [kari@elkcove.com](mailto:kari@elkcove.com) to order our May Roosevelt Wine Club case special.



Timing of ground shipments of wine is weather dependent and could be delayed. **We will not ship wine UPS ground if the weather is too hot or too cold** at your destination or en route and likely to damage your wine.

Want to keep up on what's happening at Elk Cove? Follow us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/elkcove>

## A PLACE in the SUN

Oregon succeeds  
in 2012 with ripe,  
elegant Pinots

BY HARVEY STRICKMAN

Photograph by Andrea Johnson



Elk Cove's Estate Vineyard in the Willamette Valley's Yamhill-Cannon district consistently yields outstanding Pinot Noirs.

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Elk Cove's Estate Vineyard was featured in a two page spread in the Jan/Feb issue of Wine Spectator in a beautiful aerial photo by local photographer Andrea Johnson. This tops off a year of great reviews for our 2012 wines.