

## 2007 Pinot Noir Roosevelt



### Viticultural Data:

Vine Age:	15 years
Yield:	1.8 tons/acre
Harvest Sugars:	22.2 Brix

### Enological Data:

pH:	3.67
Bottled:	August 2008
6 Bottle Cases	
Produced	539

The Roosevelt Vineyard is a four-acre planting situated just south of the winery on Willakenzie soils. The south-facing hillside points to a steep precipice overlooking the magnificent Williams Canyon. It is a high density planting with 2100 vines per acre spaced approximately one meter by two meters apart. This, our premier Single Vineyard site, is a steep hillside vineyard that undergoes extensive pruning and cluster thinning to limit yields and maximize ripening in order to concentrate the fruit. Furthering our beliefs in ecological farming practices we now completely farm this site organically.

Vintage 2007 is one that will certainly be discussed. Some say it's a grower's year, where meticulous thinning, canopy management and spray routines helped the fruit left hanging on the vine. Others maintain this is a winemaker's year, where the most experienced and agile artists will be able to take the fruit given by Mother Nature and craft some outstanding wines. All agree that it brought some challenges, yet with the rain reminiscent of 2005 and much less than the last really rainy harvest of 1997, most in the valley know how to adapt; taking advantage of this year's attributes such as lower sugars (lower alcohols) and higher acids. We love the classic cool Oregon climate in this year, which should give us more finesse rather than extraction and possibly even better ageability. This vintage will have stellar wines, just perhaps with more variability.

