# **2011 KRISTA'S BLOCK PINOT NOIR**



The 2011 Oregon vintage was the latest on record. A late spring and a very cool summer slowed the ripening process considerably; however we were blessed with a dry and mild autumn. The fortuitous autumn allowed for continued ripening through the entire month of October! The cool and gradual season allowed for the retention of delicate flavors and aromas at low sugar levels. Our 2011 wines are delightfully vibrant, focused, and lower in alcohol.

Krista's block is comprised entirely of red variety Pinot Noir which gives rise to its redheaded namesake. Krista's Block is our highest elevation block. This block is also the most exposed to cool western winds and has very thin and rocky soils, yielding wines of strong character.

### **Tasting Notes**

Tile red, with aromas of wild berries and orange peel on a foundation of wet stone and graphite notes. The palate is vivacious, with punchy acid and tart cherry flavors. A racy and expressive wine showing marked minerality.

### Vineyard

- Bryn Mawr Vineyards
  Eola Amity Hills
- Ritner soil type
- South facing slope
- 785 to 820 ft elevation 0-10° grade
- North/South rows
- Clones: 115 and 113
- Rootstocks: 3309 and 101-14
- Planted 2002
- Vine age at harvest: 9 years

#### Winemaking

- 50 cases produced
- Alcohol: 11.9%
- pH: 3.48
- T.A.: 6.1 g/L
- 10 months élevage in once filled barrels.

### **Cellaring**

Drinkability: 3-8 years post vintage (2014-2019).

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