



2012 ARCUS ESTATE

Dundee Hills Pinot Noir

VINEYARDS

Arcus, meaning 'bow' in Latin, describes our 39 acre estate vineyard that wraps around both sides of a small valley in the heart of the Dundee Hills. Capturing the distinctive terroir of this single vineyard, the 2012 Arcus Estate rewards Pinot Noir devotees with an expansive nose, compelling mid-palate, elegant finish, and a superior expression of the varietal.

WINEMAKING

Fruit for the 2012 vintage was hand picked between October 8th and October 18th. The fruit was hand sorted and soaked cold for five to ten days, after which native yeast fermentation was allowed to proceed under temperature-controlled conditions in both wooden and stainless steel open top fermentors. During primary fermentation, tanks were punched down up to three times per day. After limited post-fermentation maceration, the wine was sent via gravity to 38% new French oak barrels and aged for 11 months prior to bottling.

TASTING NOTES

Dark, opulent fruit notes of black plum, dried black cherries and black mission fig arise from the glass of this vintage of our Arcus Estate Pinot Noir, blending with a background of deep violet florals and clean forest floor. The palate offers generous flavors of dark, concentrated berry, Oregon blackcap and black raspberry, leading into notes of cacao and orange pekoe tea. Lasting impressions of ripe black fruit melt gracefully into the dark chocolate finish.



VINEYARD SOURCE

100% Arcus Estate

TIMES VINES TOUCHED PER YEAR 12

FARMING

By hand using sustainable practices

CLONAL COMPOSITION

Pommard and Dijon clones 667, 777 and 115

FERMENTATION

Fermented in wooden and stainless steel open top tanks

ÉLEVAGE

Aged 11 months in 38% new French oak barrels from Damy and Chassin

TOTAL BARREL AGING 11 months

BOTTLING DATE *November 2013*

CELLARING *Five to eight years*

SRP \$100

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