

Patrícia Green Cellars

2009 Pinot Noir Reserve



WINERY:

Patrícia Green Cellars is located in Ribbon Ridge, a small viticultural area in Yamhill County. The 52 acre Estate property is at the heart of the winery that produces Pinot Noir, Sauvignon Blanc and Chardonnay from some of Oregon's finest vineyard sites. Owners Patrícia Green and Jim Anderson use a combination of attention to detail in their vineyards, (all of which are non-irrigated) practical experience in winemaking and a passion for what they do to create balanced, textured, beautiful, unique and critically acclaimed wines.

OWNERS' COMMENTS:

The Reserve program has evolved from an every-so-often produced bottling to the mainstay of our production. Starting at 200 cases in 2002 we ramped this up to 2,350 cases in 2007 and we have stretched ourselves to a production of nearly 4,000 cases (along with 200 cases of 375 ML bottles) in 2009. This bottling allows us to accomplish two things that are very important to us as a winery. The first thing is that it allows us to use barrels from our vineyard designated sites that we think don't represent what we think that site's profile truly is. Sometimes that is based on vine age, clonal material or location within the site. This allows our vineyard designated wines to be true expressions of the site on a year in and year out basis. Secondly, it allows us to create a blended wine that has a degree of consistency to it each vintage that is of high-quality and will retail for less than \$25. We are wine consumers just as we are winemakers and we understand the absolute necessity for good quality Pinot at more of an every day sort of price.

In our minds this is the style we have been shooting for when we think of what we are looking for out of this particular bottling. The mix of wines is sensational incorporating barrels from stalwart vineyards such as Winderlea, Ana, Red Hills, Eason, Croft and many parts of our Estate Vineyard into regular sites we use for the Reserve such as Croft-Williamson, Bradley and Four Winds. In fact, more than 60% of this wine comes from vines planted prior to 1990. To us this wine is a perfect reflection of this vintage. There is a wealth of sweet, sappy, ripe and readily available fruit in the fore-palate that is super-attractive. The texture of the wine gives this fruit a silky framework to glide over. There is nice, bright acidity to give the wine lift along the way and just a trace of tannin at the end to give the finish some oomph and enough staying power to make this wine pretty damn interesting from front to back. A classic, true-blue Oregon Pinot Noir!

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