



## 2005 Delara Pinot noir

Momtazi Vineyard, McMinnville A.V.A.



Suggested Retail Price: \$50

### TASTING NOTES

Delara is a Persian word that translates as *captures one's heart*, which of course is always our goal. Delara's brilliant dark ruby color is a backdrop for aromas of red raspberries, blueberries, blackberries, rose petals with a hint of soy sauce and light mocha. Elegant layers of dark chocolate, black cherries and plums are all balanced by smooth, round, fine-grained tannins for a soft lingering finish.

### WINEGROWER'S COMMENTS

The fruit for the 2005 Delara Pinot noir was harvested from late-September to mid-October. After harvest, 80% of the fruit was de-stemmed prior to a native 2-3 week fermentation. This was followed by retrieving the free run wine at exactly the finest moment. Once in 30% new French oak, Delara underwent complete malolactic fermentation, was racked off its lees once in 13 months and then bottled. This wine was neither fined nor filtered.

### FRUIT SOURCE

Much akin to the other 2005 Pinot noirs, the Delara is a blend representing the entire colonial selection of Momtazi Vineyard. This includes Dijon clones 113, 114, 115, 667, 777 and Pommard. Although the Pommard and Dijon 115 make up more than half the blend. These predominately 8-year old vines are planted on basalt-based marine sedimentary and volcanic soils, some of the oldest to be found in Oregon.

### VINEYARD AND WINEMAKING PRINCIPLES

At Maysara Winery and Momtazi Vineyard, we are committed to capturing the complete expression of our land and conveying it to you through superior quality in every bottle. We practice only low-impact, holistic farming methods in our certified Biodynamic® vineyard. We are confident these principles are the best way to capture the true essence of the soil in our fruit and ensure the health of our vines and the unique accent of our *terroir* for generations. This philosophy is carried into the cellar, where gentle winemaking practices produce wines with intensity, sophistication and elegance while maintaining a purity of both fruit and earth.

All fruit sourced from our 100%  
Biodynamic® Vineyard

