



2005 PAHLMAYER PINOT NOIR

TECHNICAL NOTES

Release Date:	September 1, 2007	pH:	3.77
Suggested Retail:	\$90 per bottle	Total Acidity:	0.573
Winemaker:	Erin Green	Crushing Regime:	whole berry, destemmed
Harvest dates:	September 3 to October 4, 2005	Pre-fermentation	
Bottled:	December 20, 2006	Maceration:	4-5 days cold soak, based on flavor extraction
Alcohol:	14.9%	Fermentation:	cold soak, native yeast, gentle press, 15 months barrel ageing, neither fined nor filtered
Primary Vineyard		Viticulturist:	Amy Warnock
Composition:	Hallberg Vineyards, Wayfarer, Widdoes, Pellegrini		

WINEMAKER NOTES

The grapes for the 2005 Pahlmeyer Pinot Noir were harvested by hand beginning in September and continuing through early October. The whole, de-stemmed berries were then fermented in short, open-topped stainless steel tanks and cold-soaked using native yeasts. The wine was aged for 15 months in French oak barrels and then bottled without fining or filtration.

TASTING NOTES

This deeply colored wine boasts rich, ripe aromas of blueberries, black fruit, and violets complemented by intriguing spice components. The lush, complex palate is balanced beautifully by ample acidity and creamy oak nuances. Tannins are moderate and will integrate seamlessly as the wine ages. This is truly a magnificent wine.

RATINGS

Robert Parker's Wine Advocate Dec 2007:

... The 2005 Pinot Noir is tasting beautifully. There are 1,500 cases of this wine, which has a deep ruby color, a superb nose of raspberries, crushed rocks, and some subtle background oak. It is full-bodied, ripe, generous, with some forest floor-like notes reminiscent of a top red Burgundy. 92 points

Stephen Tanzer's International Wine Cellar, May/June 07:

... Deep ruby-red. Sappy, dark aromas of black fruits, pomegranate, licorice and violet, with a suggestion of hard candy. Dense and powerful, with a velvety texture and sound acidity. Not yet complex but the black fruit flavors boast very good sweetness. A bit chunky in style, with chewy tannins and a slight dry edge. But an impressive first pinot release, mostly from Pahlmeyer's Wayfarer Vineyard. 90 points

Wine Spectator, September 30, 2007:

Smooth, rich and polished, with ripe plum, wild berry and spicy blackberry notes that are elegant and stylish. This is harmonious, long and silky on the finish. (JL) 92 points

AVAILABILITY

The 2005 Pahlmeyer Pinot Noir will be available beginning September 1, 2007 either directly from the winery, or through our network of fine restaurants and retail merchants around the world. For further information, please visit us at www.pahlmeyerpinotnoir.com.