



GOTHIC  
NEVERMORE®

**Pinot Noir**

WILLAMETTE VALLEY, OREGON

Gothic 'Nevermore' Pinot Noir 2013 Edition

**Quoth The Raven, 'Nevermore.'**

Nevermore Pinot Noir reflects the unique qualities of the Willamette Valley as a whole, rather than focusing on individual single vineyard sites. Blending fruit from several sites within the valley allows us to draw upon the finest qualities of each region and vineyard, yielding a wine of depth and character.

**The 2013 Vintage**

Our 2013 Nevermore is a tale of patience and timing. A warm, dry summer kicked off harvest from our warmer vineyard sites earlier than usual, as we brought in ripe, clean fruit under sunny skies during the third week of September. Heavy rain towards the end of the month put a stop to all harvesting in the Valley. Patience was required and rewarded. The weather in October was referred to as "an endless summer." Fruit from our cooler sites was picked as late as the third week of October, which benefitted from the sunshine and cool, crisp Willamette nights.

**Vinification Method**

Post-harvest, our fruit was hand-sorted and de-stemmed. After a brief cold soak, each vineyard parcel was vinified and aged individually prior to blending. The wine aged for 10 months undisturbed (save for a single racking) in French oak, of which fifteen percent was new. A slow, natural malolactic fermentation completed in early spring. Bottling took place the last week of August following harvest.

**Tasting Notes**

The 2013 Nevermore provides high-toned red fruits and a beautiful, elegant balance achieved by blending from our sites throughout the Willamette Valley. A light-medium bodied Pinot accented with savory notes and judicious use of just 20% new oak, this wine is delicious on it's own, or with a myriad of cuisine.

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