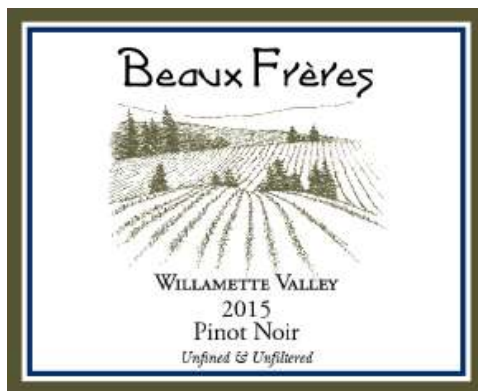


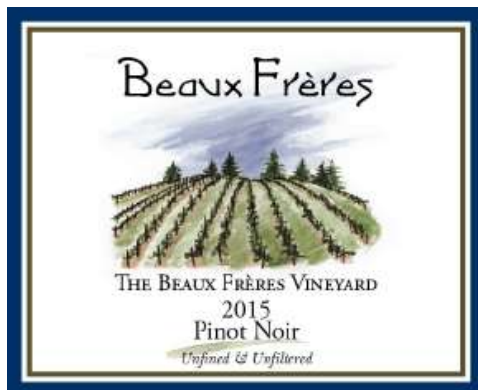
TASTING NOTES

WRITING TASTING NOTES IS A PERENNIAL REMINDER OF HOW WEIGHTY A TASK IT REALLY IS: TO SOMEHOW CAPTURE IN WORDS AN EXPERIENCE THAT IS NOT ONLY SENSORY, BUT ALSO EMOTIONAL, VISCERAL, AND DEEPLY INDIVIDUAL. Can we best succeed by blind tasting wines side-by-side at 9am, in universal glassware, on white paper mats, at perfect cellar temperature? We did try, and the following notes should give readers an understanding of what they might find in the wines, yes. We made special effort to honor the uniqueness of every person's palate; to avoid precision in favor of integrity. After all, one person's "cranberry" is another's "pomegranate." On the other hand, as we set our pens down we lamented the sterile setting and agreed to take the wines (and ourselves) out for dinner and give it another go. After all, it's the humanity of our efforts, coupled with the whimsy of working with Mother Nature as our muse, that makes Beaux Frères wine distinct. Our operation is low on technology, high on personality. Low on analytics, high on intuition. If we get around to compiling the wine-stained ramblings resulting from our dinner, a second release of this newsletter may be in order. Until then, dear readers...



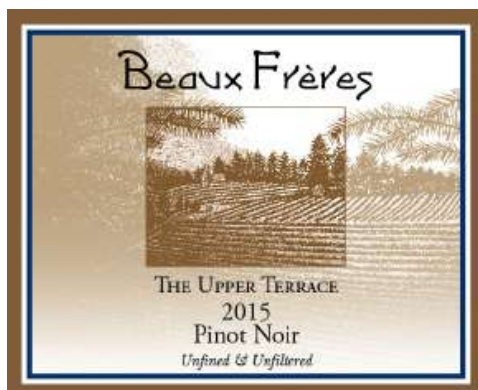
2015 BEAUX FRÈRES WILLAMETTE VALLEY PINOT NOIR

Beautiful, gem-toned clarity. Explosively aromatic, this wine begins with fresh, bright fruit-juiciness leading to a more savory palate. The balance is pitch perfect; enough zest to match the velvety tannins. In this stellar vintage, an ample dose of Estate fruit made its way into our Willamette Valley cuvée. Though this wine always shows early finesse, a bit of tension suggests it will age nicely for several years. The blend is 28% Zena Crown, 18% Gran Moraine, 15% Beaux Frères, 15% Hyland, 11% Sequitur, 8% Guadalupe, and 5% Upper Terrace.



2015 BEAUX FRÈRES BEAUX FRÈRES VINEYARD PINOT NOIR

A perfect ruby jewel in the glass. Twenty-five years later, our beloved original Estate has outdone itself. Silky-textured and vibrant with layers of tart red berries and mulling spice; then like a deep breath on a misty mountain morning eases seamlessly into fragrant damp earth. Captivating, intricate, and refined even in its youth, this wine's impressive age-worthiness remains strong. Expect increasing complexity and grace for another twenty years or more.



2015 BEAUX FRÈRES UPPER TERRACE VINEYARD PINOT NOIR

Deeper in hue and density of color, our wine from this vineyard's 14th harvest amounts to a fascinating adventure in bottle. From the initial bouquet — impressively vivid — its expansive complexity brings hints of dusty berry and wet slate. Moments later, it becomes even more lush. A subtle waft of incense emerges as the evolution continues. With rich, round tannins and a good deal of gusto, the wine promises decades of potential with proper cellaring.