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## 2006 Reserve Pinot Noir

*225 cases produced*

### Winemaker Notes

The Reserve Pinot Noir is made by blending our best barrels to create a wine that brings together all of the great elements of the vineyards that we work with. We can never tell which vineyards or which barrels that will end up in the final blend of the Reserve, but that's what makes wine so mysterious. Putting together this blend is the most difficult task for me every year and it's also the most fun! The grapes for this wine were 100% destemmed and then cold soaked for 5 days. All fermenters were inoculated with several types of yeasts and hand punched until pressing off after 23 days on the skins and settled before going to barrel. This wine is definitely built with some aging potential in mind and it should evolve wonderfully for at least 5 to 7 years.

### Tasting Notes

Tantalizing aromas of ripe cherries, plums, and sweet tobacco, are melded with 5-spice and toasty oak. The entry is very smooth and sumptuous with the mid palate showing a creamy, delicate body and structure. Complex flavors of red plums, cherries, pomegranates, cloves, and vanilla, evolve into a long and beautiful finish. This wine should enhance any meal that consists of grilled meats or salmon.

### Vineyards

*55% from Eastburn Vineyard - Dijon Clones 114 and 777, and 45% from Momtazi Vineyard - Dijon Clone 115*

**Eastburn Vineyard** is owned by Mark and Terri Eastburn and is located in Sherwood, Oregon. The vineyard sits on the eastern side of Parrett Mountain in the Chehalem Mountains AVA. The vineyard is planted to fifteen acres of Dijon Clones 777, 114, 115, which are grafted onto rootstock. The vineyard has a planting density of 1450 vines per acre and the elevation is 600' with Laurelwood and Jory soils.

**Momtazi Vineyard** is owned by Moe and Flora Momtazi and is located on the steep foothills of the coast range in the newly approved McMinnville Appellation. This 240 acre vineyard is farmed using Biodynamic farming methods which take into account the entire farm as a whole system and ties them together with the Earth, Moon, Sun, Planets and Stars. The elevation is 650' and the vines are spaced at about 1400 vines per acre on Willakenzie soils.

**Suggested Retail**                      **\$35 / Bottle**