

Drew

2014 Pinot Noir Morning Dew Ranch Anderson Valley AVA

This is our sixth release from this esteemed site, located in the “Deep End” of Anderson Valley on a south facing hillside, owned by the eponymous Burt Williams, founder of Williams Seylem. This vineyard has all the features that I look for: great soil structure, hillside drainage, higher elevation, coastal influence, great care given to the vineyard and excellent field selections. The Rochioli block is situated on a south slope with lighter soils providing finesse and charm while the La Tache block is on a s slope with darker, more clay soils giving more power and richness to the fruit blend.

<u>Vineyard Techs</u>	<u>Finished Wine</u>
Vineyard: 100% Morning Dew	Ph: 3.58
Harvest: September 2, 2014	TA: 6.5 g/L
Sugars: 22.5-23.5 degrees brix	Alcohol: 13.2% by vol.
Ph: 3.35	Bottling date: September 2015
TA: 7.4 g/L	Suggested Retail: \$60.00
Oak: 30% new French Oak For 11 months	Number of cases: 166 cases

40% whole cluster fermentation. Gravity racked twice.
100% native fermentation and 100% native malo-lactic.

T/Acre: 1.7 tons per acre
Variety: Pinot Noir
Clone: Field Selections 66%-Rochioli, 34%-828 (La Tache selection)
Rootstock: 101-14
Planted: 2001
Spacing: 8x6
Trellis: Vertical Shoot Position
Pruning: Spur pruned
Orientation: Rows run North-South
Slope: 20%
Aspect: South, South-East
Soil: Silty clay loam over sandstone

Winemaker Notes:

Dark red and medium bodied. There is purity in the dark red stone fruits and forest loam aroma to this wine. On the palate a very elegant wine with pomegranate, quince, dried roses and shitake mushrooms with subtle hints of fresh cooking herbs. The mineral notes are chiseled along with appropriate tannin and enough acidity to keep this wine taut. The best vintage we've made from this vineyard. Keep some for the cellar as this wine will reward patience.