



# ATTICUS

FOUR CULTURES, TWO FAMILIES, ONE DREAM...

{91} “Lithe, open-textured and inviting, offering red berry, cherry, mineral and spice flavors  
PTS in a lively mix that keeps dancing through the long, vivid finish. Drink now through 2018.”  
- Harvey Steiman, *Wine Spectator*

{90} “The 2008 Pinot Noir Atticus Vineyard is dark ruby red with an alluring bouquet  
PTS of smoke, spice box, violets, black cherry, and black raspberry. Dense on the palate  
with concentration and richness, this layered, savory offering will evolve for 2-3  
years and offer prime drinking from 2012 to 2020.”  
- Jay Miller, *The Wine Advocate*

## ATTICUS VINEYARD ◊ PINOT NOIR ◊ 2008

The 2008 Atticus Vineyard Pinot Noir is an elegant blend of handpicked grapes from our Atticus Vineyard located in Yamhill, Oregon. The grapes for this vintage were picked on September 30th with an average chemistry of 23.4 Brix and 3.52 PH. While bold in flavors of dark cherry and ripe figs which integrate harmoniously with notes of baking spices and tobacco, this wine still achieves an elegant restraint. The depth of black ripe fruits and spice is reflected on the palate and lingers into a beautifully balanced and smooth caramel finish.

### *Atticus Vineyard*

The vineyard which adheres to sustainable farming practices contains Willakenzie soils and sits at an elevation of 300 feet with a south / south west facing slope. Planted with Pommard (80%) and Dijon 667 & 777 clones (20%) in 2005, the 2008 vintage is the first from this vineyard. We have always thought this site would produce bolder and more structured wines and this first vintage is a confirmation of that.

### *Winemaking*

Winemaking at Atticus is a collaboration between the very experienced and talented Scott Shull of Raptor Ridge and our own Ximena. We feel very fortunate to have Scott as our mentor. He has numerous outstanding vintages under his belt and he believes that by having a close hand in vineyard management, yielding to the will of the grapes and using some intuition, a true expression of Oregon Pinot Noir can be created. As a harvest intern in her first season, Ximena learned how to clean fermenting vats (again and again!). Since then, Ximena studied the science of winemaking at a local college and has gained an evolving level of hands-on experience in the winery over the years. These days, while we still rely on Scott's good council and expertise, Ximena leads many of the key decisions in the winemaking process.

*125 cases were made.*

*...to establish a family owned winery embracing Oregon's values of nurturing the land and the future. Our goal is to create elegant and approachable wines that will reflect the earth and let the fruit shine. From our dream to your glass...*

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