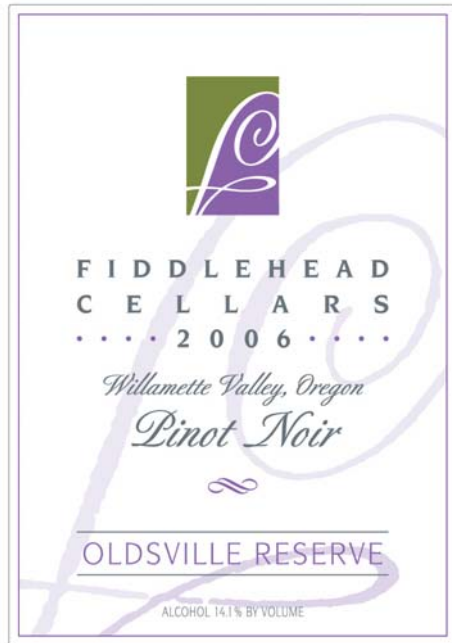


FIDDLEHEAD CELLARS

Willamette Valley
2006 OLDSVILLE RESERVE
Oregon Pinot Noir



KATHY'S CORNER

Our Oregon 2006 vintage is described by some as "...a jaw-dropping stellar example of Oregon's top vintage in a decade." A few confused winemakers described this to be a "California" vintage due to a late season Indian Summer. The truth of the matter is this growing season required experience and patience. It started late and wet but offered great weather for flowering, setting the largest crop that we have seen in a few years with abundant, but not large, clusters. A gorgeous summer heated dramatically in June and July, but cooled appreciably in August to begin a soft slow slide into harvest. Late season cooler temperatures moderated our alcohols, preserved our acidity and offered balanced wines with terrific accessibility. It's hard NOT to love this wine! Cheers!

THE VINEYARDS and THE VINTAGE

- 62% Alloro Vineyard located in the Chehalem Mts.
- 38% Elton Vineyard located in the Eola Hills
- Great berry set and a fully ripe vintage. The stellar structure and acid/weight balance is key to the ageability of this wine.
- The 70-acre Alloro Vineyard, planted in 1999, is situated on a southwest facing slope on Laurel Ridge, perched at a 700-foot elevation. Its Laurelwood soil is comprised of decomposed volcanic material below a top layer of ancient sedimentary soil. Blocks of Pommard, 114 and 777 are reserved for Fiddlehead.
- The 60-acre Elton Vineyard is located in the Eola Hills and sits on Jory series, clay-loam soil. Fiddlehead proudly nurtures the grapes from its oldest 1983 block.
- Harvested October 7, 2006 (same date as 2005).



THE WINE

- Superb aromas make this wine immediately pleasurable. Dried cherries, "Oregon" earthiness, sweet pipe tobacco, and delicately fleshy on the mid palate.
- Unmistakably expresses its classic Oregon roots. Silky smooth tannins. Enticing fragrance. Wonderful spice and slightly more buxom than the 2005 version.
- Aged 15 months in tight-grain French oak, 35% new.
- 3.49pH / 5.53 g/L Acid / 14.2 alc
- 325 cases produced.