

2004 Private Stash Pinot Noir

ROCO Wines announce the release of the 2004 Pinot Noir Private Stash. The '04 Private Stash (PS) is the second in a numbered series of single vineyard Pinot Noirs made exclusively from the Soles' Wits' End Vineyard. PS represents the best clones and barrel combination of each vintage. Only 100 cases (4 barrels) of the '04 Private Stash was created. The wine retails for \$75 and is available exclusively through the web site and to mailing list customers.

ROCO Tasting Notes

He says, "Upon sampling our first bottle of the '04 Private Stash I found the wine aromas to be reminiscent of huckleberry leather, cardamom spice, and a tinge of granite followed by a bit of honeysuckle blossom at the very end. The texture was very creamy and yields in the mouth the very flavors that were revealed in the nose; huckleberry, spice, river gravel and paprika with a long juicy centered blackberry finish. The fruit component builds with time in the glass. Like a big chocolate layer cake iced in huckleberries and topped in rose petals."

She says, "When I put the glass to my nose I immediately had visions of traveling the ancient spice routes. I got a big hit of cinnabar, nutmeg and dusty cobblestones. The flavors in the mouth followed suite with rich spices enhanced by deep blackberry. Throughout dinner the wine continued to open in the mouth and rendered ripe strawberry flavors, cinnamon, tumeric and a touch of clove. A rich, complex and bold glass of Pinot not afraid to be what it is."

Winemaker's Vintage Notes

A distinctive sense of place has emerged in ROCO Pinot Noirs. All four vintages score high for a wonderful mixture of red fruit-layered on top of rich black fruit characters finished with a topping of spice. These are the very flavors sought after in the vines and wines of the north Willamette Valley.

Designation: Chehalem Mountains AVA Cases Produced: 100 Alcohol Content: 14%