

## 2018 Spring Diverse Reds

### 2013 Hamacher Signature Pinot Noir 50/BTL

Explosive aromatics on the nose with perfumed cherry blossoms and ripened blackberries that are underlain by earthy spice and wet stone. This is a vibrant and luscious Pinot noir with bright acidity, silky texture, and an amazingly long finish.

### 2014 Andrew Rich Red Willow Syrah 45/BTL

If push comes to shove, Andrew will tell you that the Syrah he sources from Red Willow, just south of Yakima, is his favorite of the many blocks he works with in Washington. No wonder: it's Washington's oldest Syrah, having been planted on a hunch in 1986 on a steep, rocky, south-facing hillside. It's also the most elegant Syrah he works with, showing floral aromatics not found at his other sites, along with terrific energy and a lengthy finish. This is a Syrah that deftly walks the line between old world (structure) and new (texture and fruit). Delicious now, it will age well for a half decade at least. W&S 92/Vinous 91

### 2012 Andrew Rich Grenache 35/BTL

Direct from Andrew's library come these last few cases of Grenache that he had originally bottled separately to show that this great Rhône grape can shine on its own and not just add ballast to a GSM blend. Fully mature, the wine still shows freshness and vivacity—this was never a chunky monkey Grenache—with aromas and flavors of kirsch, raspberry, and anise. The tannins have rounded, making this a wine of true pleasure to enjoy (over the next year or two) with rustic Mediterranean dishes or all by itself.

### 2016 Elevee Pinot noir 48/BTL

This wine reveals raspberries, violets, sweet tobacco, black tea, and powdered perfume, with hints of baking spices, around a mineral core. This is a medium body wine, with lively acidity, and broad, fine, silky tannin. The long finish lingers with a chorus of raspberries, fading violet petals, and Dundee dust.

### 2016 Merriman Yamhill-Carlton Estate Pinot Noir 45/BTL

Ruby-red. A highly perfumed bouquet evokes ripe red fruits, exotic spices and potpourri, backed by subtle woodsmoke and incense notes. Sweet, seamless and focused on the palate, offering intense raspberry liqueur, spicecake and cola flavors that are lifted by a spine of juicy acidity. Delivers a solid punch but comes off lithe; a suave candied rose note drives the gently tannic finish. 93 points Vinous

### 2015 Megan Anne Willamette Valley Pinot Noir 40/BTL

The 2015 Willamette Valley Pinot noir comes from a gorgeous ripe vintage and is sourced from a blend of some of our favorite vineyards. Aromas of strawberry and cherry with some bramble and earthy notes leap from the glass; the wine is seamless on the palate with its rich, round mouthfeel and persistent finish. This wine expresses classic Willamette Valley terroir with an easy drinkability right now and a potential to develop even more complexity with cellaring.