## 2014 MEYER VINEYARD PINOT NOIR WILLAMETTE VALLEY

Release Date: June 1, 2016

Case Pack: 6/750 ml

## **VINIFICATION DETAILS:**

PINOT NOIR CLONES: Dijon 114, 115, 777, Pommard

and Wadensweil

HARVEST DATES: Sept. 18<sup>th</sup>-Oct. 8<sup>th</sup>, 2014

GRAPE YIELD: 2.2 tons per acre

QUANTITY PRODUCED: 1,004 cases of 6/750mL

DATE BOTTLED: April 21, 2016

FERMENTATION NOTES: A blend of lots fermented as

either destemmed or up to 34%

whole cluster

ALCOHOL: 14.2% alc./vol.

ELEVAGE (AGING): 15 months in 57% new and 43%

previously-filled French oak

barrels

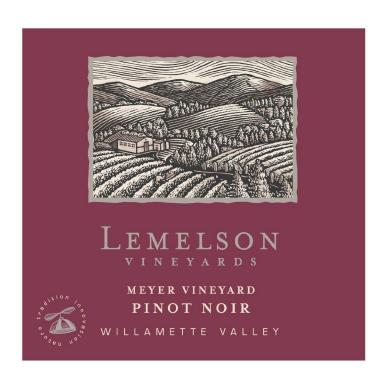
VINEYARD SOURCE: Certified organic by Oregon

**Tilth:** Meyer Vineyard in the Dundee Hills AVA at 550–800 feet elevation with Jory and

Nekia soils

YEASTS: Indigenous

AVA: Dundee Hills



## WINEMAKER'S NOTES:

The Meyer Vineyard is a long, steep site in the Dundee Hills that faces due south and features a variety of elevations, exposures, and microclimates. The 2014 Meyer combines fruit picked at both the beginning and end of harvest to produce a spicy, aromatic wine that combines red cherry and plum with woodsmoke, tarragon and crème brulee. The palate is fresh and lithe, with dark spice carried by rich red fruit to a long, delicately balanced finish. This is a young wine that will gain in weight over the next year and age gracefully for 10+ years.

## **VINTAGE NOTES:**

As measured in heat units, the 2014 growing season is the warmest to date in the northern Willamette Valley. Flowering occurred two weeks early, in early June, foretelling an early harvest. The season progressed with warmer than usual nights and moderately warmer daytime highs, allowing for even ripening across all of our sites. Harvest of impeccably pristine fruit began in mid-September and wrapped up with Riesling a month later. Overall, the 2014 vintage represents a cornucopia of expressive, concentrated, balanced Pinot noirs and, due to picking for freshness, the vintage produced excellent and vibrant white wines.