

# Iris Vineyards 2014 Aroha Vineyard Tempranillo



**Tasting Notes:** Gorgeous, deep, dark and purple, this wine possesses aromas of black tea, the clean stony smell of the riverbed from whence it came, accompanied by notes of roasted almonds and dried blueberry. The palate is fruit with rich tannins, Italian prune, cloves, and tobacco. Drinkable now, but will definitely soften with age.

**Growing Season:** The 2014 growing season at Aroha Vineyard on the banks of the Umpqua River started out early with near ideal conditions through bloom. During the summer months we experienced a record number of warmer (90-99°F) days in the Roseburg area; 49 of them. On the other hand, only a few days exceeded 100 °F. We picked the Aroha vineyard Tempranillo on September 28<sup>th</sup>. The grapes came to the winery with beautifully ripe flavors though this variety persistently reminds you of its origins in northern Spain with its overt tannins always and low acidity with grown in a warm climate.

**Case Production:** 121 Cases

**Cooperage:** Aged 11 months in 40% 1 year-old American Oak and 40% 2-year-old French Oak

**Final Analysis:** 15.1% alcohol; TA 5.2 g/L; pH 4.09

Iris produces world-class, award winning wines from grapes grown at our Chalice Vineyard. The cool climate in the foothills of the Oregon Coast Range allows the grapes to mature slowly while maintaining the proper acid balance that is essential for producing the finest Pinot Noir, Pinot Gris and Chardonnay

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