

Iris Vineyards 2015 C Block Pinot Noir



Tasting Notes: Already drinking beautifully for so young a wine, this dark garnet Pinot offers aromas of Italian red plums, star anise and violets. The palate is rich with black cherry, cola nut, forest floor, and blueberry on the finish.

Growing Season: Bud break began the last few days of March in 2015, the earliest ever at Chalice. The growing season was marked by a handful of warmer than average periods when the temperatures were at or above 90 degrees, reaching 100 a few days during August. The weather was warm and pleasant for bloom in mid- June which contributed to a uniform and quality fruit set. The cool nights, that are typical for our site and for our healthy soils, allowed our vines to weather the heat events of the summer with little to no stress. Late August and early September continued to be warmer than average; the elevation and Coast Range influence of our site kept the evenings cool and allowed the fruit to develop its flavor and acid. Our harvest began late September.

Case Production: 98 cases

Cooperage: 40% new oak 40% one year oak;
100% French oak

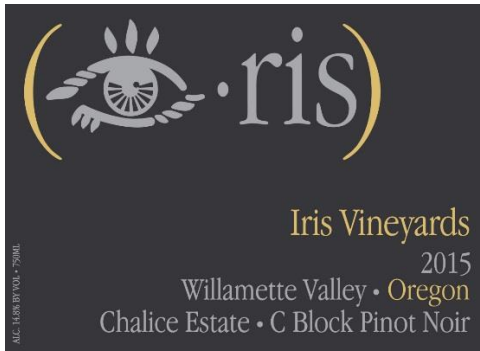
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Iris produces world-class, award winning wines from grapes grown at our Chalice Vineyard. The cool climate in the foothills of the Oregon Coast Range allows the grapes to mature slowly while maintaining the proper acid balance that is essential for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

