



COLLECTED PRESS REVIEWS

Jay Miller, Wine Advocate

2009 Pinot Noir, Dundee Hills Cuvée [94]

"...emits a bouquet of fragrant red fruits. Intense, elegant, and succulent, it is a prototype of what could optimally be achieved in this vintage." *October 2011*

2009 Pinot Noir, Sandra Adele [94]

"...sports a similar personality to the Charlie's Vineyard. Asian spices, incense, wood smoke, cherry, and raspberry compose the bouquet of this sweetly-fruited, finesse-styled, sexy offering that combines elegance, concentration, and depth. This pleasure-bent effort will deliver prime drinking from 2012 to 2019." *October 2011*

2009 Pinot Noir, Abbey Ridge Vineyard [94]

"...from a 40 year old parcel in the Dundee Hills AVA. Fragrant spices, floral elements, and racy red fruit aromas lead to a concentrated, elegant, rather suave offering that displays exceptional depth and concentration for the vintage." *October 2011*

2009 Pinot Noir, Le Pavillon Vineyard [94]

"...from a vineyard farmed organically since 1999 and biodynamically since 2005. According to Jay Somers, "it is the masculine counterpart to Abbey Ridge". It exhibits darker fruit than that wine as well as a focused, velvety-textured, hedonistic personality. It has enough structure to evolve for 1-2 years and will offer a drinking window extending from 2012 to 2021+." *October 2011*

2009 Pinot Noir, Charlie's Vineyard [93]

"...sourced from a parcel directly adjacent to the Cameron Winery. Fragrant black raspberries, exotic spices, incense, and sandalwood inform the nose of a succulent, plush, layered Pinot that deftly combines depth, concentration, and elegance, the secret to success in 2009." *October 2011*

2009 Pinot Noir, Willamette Valley [90]

"...represents well over half of the J. Christopher production. Medium ruby red in color, it is a spicy, savory, velvety-textured, elegant Pinot that is nicely proportioned and lengthy. Drink this outstanding value over the next 5-6 years." *October 2011*

2009 Pinot Noir, Nuages (Chehalem Mountains) [89]

"...sports darker fruit but less elegance than the Willamette Valley cuvee. Slightly chunky on the palate, it still gives up plenty of concentrated black cherry and black raspberry flavors." *October 2011*

Josh Raynolds,

Stephen Tanzer's International Wine Cellar

2006 Pinot Noir, Appassionata [93]

"Vivid ruby. Deep, musky aromas of dried cherry, rose oil, underbrush and herbs, with suave oak spice and mineral notes gaining strength with air. Bitter cherry, black raspberry and floral pastille flavors show very good clarity and energy, with a spine of acidity adding focus. Finishes silky and very long, with a whiplash of candied rose, spices and anise. This impressive wine is a joint project of Germany's Ernst Loosen and Jay Somers, the owner and winemaker here." *July/August 2010*

2008 Pinot Noir, Dundee Hills Cuvée [91]

"Bright ruby. Sexy, highly perfumed bouquet of black raspberry, cherrycola and potpourri, with an overlay of Indian spices and woodsmoke. Fleshy and smooth, with deep red and dark berry preserve flavors perked up by cinnamon and star anise nuances. Fine-grained tannins add grip to the long, sappy finish. This drinks very well with decanting." *July/August 2010*

2008 Pinot Noir, Willamette Valley [90]

"Deep ruby-red. Highly aromatic nose offers black raspberry, cherry-cola, potpourri and a musky note of pipe tobacco. Deeply pitched dark berry flavors show an attractive sweetness and pick up smoke and licorice notes with air. A tangy mineral quality adds cut and focus to the long, sappy finish. I like this pinot's blend of power and energy." *July/August 2010*

Matt Kramer, The Oregonian

2008 Willamette Valley Pinot Noir

"Jay Somers is easily one of Oregon's best winemakers. This is dense, concentrated pinot noir of real character and ideal balance between fruit and acidity. A classic "get it while you can" bottling." *June 2010*