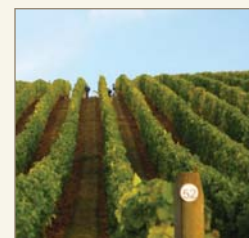


Tunkalilla Vineyard

Oregon
Eola-Amity Hills



2012 TUNKALILLA RIESLING

WINEMAKER:	Brian Croser
REGION:	Eola-Amity Hills, Willamette Valley - OR
VARIETALS:	Riesling
ANALYSIS:	11.8% alc/vol 2.94 pH 8.0 g/L TA 11.4 g/L RS

VINEYARD:

Tunkalilla Vineyard is a concave slope in the belly of the south-facing escarpment of the southern end of the Eola Hills. The Eola Hills run north south, parallel to the sedimentary coastal range to the West and the mighty volcano dotted Cascades to the east including Mt. Adams, Mt. St. Helen, Mt Hood, Mt. Jefferson and the Three Sisters most of which are visible from Tunkalilla Vineyard on a clear day. At the southern foot of this terminal slope of the Eola Hills is the Van Duzer Corridor, which cuts westward through the coastal range allowing cool humid air to creep into the Willamette Valley from the cold Pacific to the west. Tunkalilla Vineyard is perched above the eastern inland opening of the Van Duzer Corridor. Tunkalilla Vineyard's soil is classified as the highly prized Jory soil of Oregon.

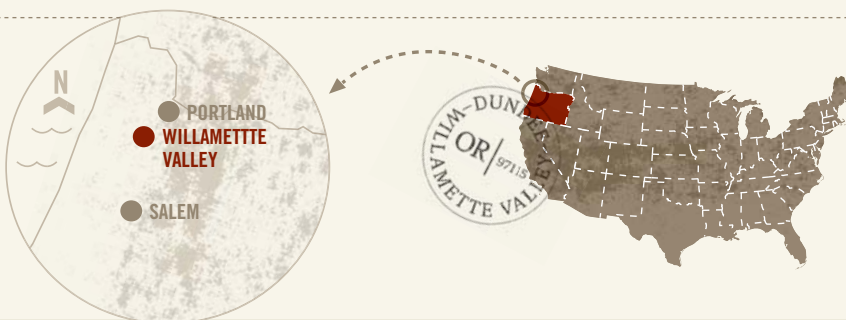
TASTING NOTES:

The first five vintages at Tunkalilla Vineyard (2008-2012) have all been cooler than average, although 2012 was the second warmest of the five after the 2009 vintage. The very dry and moderately warm vintage combined with the seven year vine age has produced a wine with strong, ripe Riesling flavors. Unusually, the acid was lower than the previous vintages, probably because of this growing season's high level of sunlight hours. The residual sugar combined with the ripe flavors, balances the modest acid achieving a dry finish. The ripe Riesling aromatics include notes of orange blossom, passion fruit and mango. And while the flavor is ripe and intense, it is also refined.

CRITICAL ACCLAIM:

92 pts Wine Spectator

ABOUT TUNKALILLA VINEYARD: Brian and Ann Croser have long considered the west coast of the United States as "home away from home" since their 18-month stay at the Davis campus of the University of California in the early 1970's. They have since made significant footprints in the wine world including starting the Petaluma wine company in Piccadilly Valley, South Australia and co-founding Argyle winery in Dundee, Oregon. In 2002, Ann and Brian purchased the 50-acre Christmas tree farm in the southern end of the Eola Hills that was eventually to become Tunkalilla Vineyard. In a reverse of the 1976 Petaluma naming decision, Brian and Ann chose to name their Oregon vineyard Tunkalilla Vineyard after a vineyard-adjacent beach in South Australia. Tunkalilla Vineyard is on the western boundary of Cristom winery where the Tunkalilla Vineyard Rieslings are made.



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