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Review Summary



94 pts – Year’s Best Pinot Noir “This wine is a blend of four vineyards, all from the sedimentary (“Flood”) soils series found in the Willamette Valley. A vibrant purple, there’s a dark cherry thrust to the aroma, adorned by a touch of nori. The flavors are more demonstrative—dark and blue, rippling, pure, saturating, they reach the edge of your mouth the way color reaches the edge of the glass. In its texture the wine is at its most seductive, the purity of fruit held in place by a skidding, gravelly grip. Delicious now, it will deepen further with cellar time.”

Patrick Comiskey
Wine & Spirits Magazine
April 2015

94 pts “Moderately dark reddish purple color in the glass. Penetrating aromas of darker stone and berry fruits flow from the glass and hold up over time. Full-bodied and boisterous flavors of Bing cherries, boysenberries and cassis caress the palate and persist with uncommon intensity on the very long finish. The wine still has an oak sheen which will integrate over time in the cellar. The soft texture is particularly appealing. A very special wine.”

William Gaffney
PrinceOfPinot.com
March 29, 2014

93 pts “Vivid ruby. Powerful aromas of dark berry preserves, cola, licorice and lavender are energized by a bright mineral flourish. Palate-staining boysenberry and black raspberry flavors are given bite by a hint of blood orange. Sweet and broad on the long, sappy finish, which repeats the floral note and shows just a trace of tannins.”

Josh Raynolds
Stephen Tanzer’s International Wine Cellar
July/August 2014



92 pts “Crisp and detailed, shining a spotlight on the blackberry, currant, smoke and nutmeg flavors in turn as they spin effortlessly through the long, expressive finish.”

Harvey Steiman
Wine Spectator
June 2014

Exceptional “From volcanic soils, more red cherry fruit with spice and cranberry. An electric kind of flavor and a wine with a great future.”

Dan Berger
Dan Berger’s Vintage Experiences
June 4, 2015

