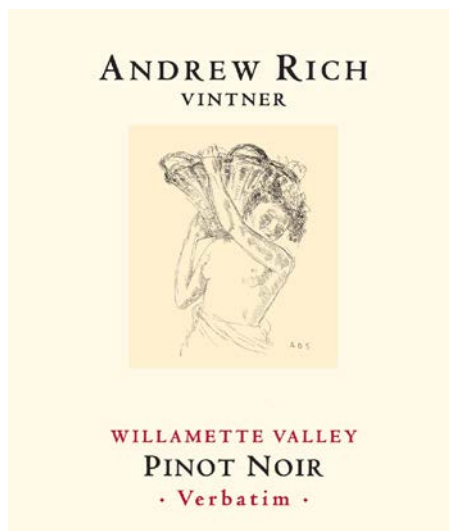


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2011 Pinot Noir Verbatim

I can't say that this is a word for word—grape for grape?—rendering of the vintage, but that is more or less the idea behind the name Verbatim. While the Prelude is pretty, open-knit, and easy going, and The Knife Edge is the most structured with the greatest mid-palate depth, Verbatim is, I think, the blend that best captures the vintage, the place, and my wine-making sensibility. In a way, it is my “literal” expression of Willamette Valley Pinot Noir in a given vintage.



Vineyards

Ribbon Ridge (Ribbon Ridge; LIVE)

La Colina (Dundee Hills; LIVE)

Croft Vineyard (Organic)

Ageing: Fifteen months in French oak barrels; 30% new

Alcohol: 13.1%

Bottled February 2013; 737 cases

2011 Pinot Noir Verbatim Willamette Valley Bright red. Pungent dark berry and floral aromas are lifted and sharpened by a peppery, spicy nuance. Lively, gently sweet raspberry and cherry flavors pick up a refreshingly bitter nuance with air, along with a touch of mocha. Silky tannins come on late and add grip to a long, sweet, smoke-accented finish. **90 Tanzer July/August 2013**

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