



APPELLATION Willamette Valley

VINEYARDS Niederberger

HARVEST October 15, 2012

аlcohol 7.5 %

T.A. 0.89 gm/100ml

РН 3.36

R.S. 223gm/100ml

CASES PRODUCED 150

## Sweet Harvest 2012 Pinot Blanc

"Spiced banana and honey scents lead to flavors of peach pie and hints of blood orange. Mid palate richness offers satisfying length of flavor, ending pleasingly with a soft hint of acidity."

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Gary Horner, Erath winemaker

## WINE OVERVIEW

Our Pinot Blanc is harvested at the peak of ripeness, quickly frozen and then slowly pressed over several days extracting the sweetest most concentrated juice from the fruit. The nectar-like juice is fermented over several months in small temperature controlled stainless steel vessels.

## VINTAGE OVERVIEW

The 2012 vintage in Oregon started with delayed spring weather and a cooler than usual June. However once temperatures rose the region enjoyed a long, warm summer that ultimately lead to excellent quality. The cooler start to the season reduced berry size and quantity per cluster, but provided a great ratio of skins to juice, hence greater color and flavor concentration. Record setting dry conditions coupled with warm days and cool nights during the fall preserved attractive, balanced acidity in the fruit. The advantageous harvest weather allowed us to pick when the grapes were truly ready.