



## 2012 Silice Pinot Noir

Silice (*pronounced "sea-lease"*) is French for silica, the shiny, quartz rock found in the sandy, beach soils of the Chehalem Mountains AVA. Found in the 21 acres of vineyard land contiguous to the winery, these bright, reflective oceanic soils produce our most concentrated, spicy and fruit-forward Pinot Noir, a wine we now call "Silice." This wine is the epitome of our biodynamic farming efforts on sandstone soils, studying and revealing a special terroir that creates wines of great finesse and power. The 2012 vintage represents the inaugural release of this wine under its new name, but between 2003 and 2011, you knew it as de Lancellotti. The vines are now 15 years old and expressing themselves in a tremendous way.

The 2012 Silice Pinot Noir is dark ruby with dark violet tints. Its explosive aromatics burst from the glass with high-toned red and purple flowers, bright raspberry, cherry and a comforting sweet, spicy profile reminiscent of fresh-baked berry pies. But for all its opulence, there is a stony mineral cut to this wine that keeps it honest and poignant, and it is this harmony between ripe lushness and sandstone minerality that makes the wine so delicious now.

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