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WINERY

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2010 “LONGBOW” PINOT NOIR RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY

TASTING NOTES

The Longbow Pinot Noir is our barrel selection wine. It is chosen from Arista’s most distinct Russian River Valley lots and opens with generous fruit and spice aromas. Flavors like dark cherry, plum, nutmeg, and cardamom spices immediately come to mind. Velvety textures layered with complex flavors of dark plum and black cherry are interspersed with hints of black tea, licorice and cola. This wine boasts of texture and dimension and will continue to improve nicely in cellar for the next 5 to 7 years.

PHILOSOPHY

Arista Winery was founded by the McWilliams family with a mission to create the most elegant expression of Pinot Noir. Arista sources grapes from small, responsibly-farmed vineyard “gems” and works closely with these growers who share our dedication to sustainability in their vineyards. This combination of minimal intervention and gentle yet meticulous coaxing in the vineyards and in the cellar have resulted in wines with rich, deep flavors that reflect the unique sites from which the grapes are sourced. Produced in small lots of several barrels, the wines are deliciously balanced with fruit, tannins, acidity and oak in harmonious proportion.

Each barrel chosen for this tete de cuvee is hand selected by our winemaker based on the flavor profile of each vineyard and specific flavor characteristics of the French oak barrels. Each year, this barrel selection represents the highest level of our appellation blends.

TECHNICAL DATA:

Varietal: 100% Pinot Noir

Vineyard Source: 100% Russian River Valley

Barrel Program: 46% new, 23% 1 year, 31% 2-3 year

Primary Cooperage: Remond, Mercury, Francois Frere, Seguin Moreau

TA: .55g/100ml

pH: 3.77

RS: .01 g/100ml

Harvest Dates: September 15th thru October 21st, 2010

Released: Spring 2012

Cases Produced: 290