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## 2012 RESERVE PINOT BLANC

### GROWING SEASON

- ▶ Spring temperatures in Eastern Washington started off relatively cool but rose quickly, and the region soon settled in to a more typical weather pattern.
- ▶ Summer was predictably warm without any prolonged excessive heat events, with temperatures rarely breaking 100° Fahrenheit.
- ▶ Late summer and early fall brought on slightly cooler daytime highs and a significant diurnal shift, a pattern that continued well into October.
- ▶ A few sporadic rain showers in mid-to-late October were quickly dissipated by persistent winds and had no effect on the harvest.
- ▶ Overall the 2012 harvest was outstanding; the white wines are flavorful with beautiful natural acidity.

### VINEYARDS

- ▶ 100% of the fruit was sourced from Fairacre Vineyard in the Yakima Valley.
- ▶ The region's sunny days and cool evening temperatures create ideal conditions for intense aroma and flavor development in the ripening grapes.

### VINIFICATION

- ▶ Pinot Blanc grapes were picked around 24 Brix to promote concentrated aromatics and dense fruit flavors.
- ▶ The fruit was fed directly to a pneumatic press where the juice was extracted gently but quickly.
- ▶ The juice was cold settled for two days then racked off solids to a temperature controlled stainless steel tank.
- ▶ The clean juice was inoculated with VIN13 yeast, initiating a cool 3 week fermentation.
- ▶ A filtration occurred just prior to bottling to ensure stability and freshness.

APPELLATION ▶ YAKIMA VALLEY

VINEYARDS ▶ FAIRACRE VINEYARD

HARVEST DATE ▶ OCTOBER 6, 2012

BLEND ▶ 100% PINOT BLANC

FERMENTATION ▶ THREE WEEKS WITH VIN13 YEAST

ALCOHOL ▶ 13.5%

TOTAL ACIDITY ▶ 0.52G/100ML

PH ▶ 3.34

RS ▶ 0.05G/100ML

CASES CRAFTED ▶ 50



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### TASTING NOTES

*"Aromas of apple blossom and jasmine introduce flavors of juicy pear and melon. The wine displays bright acidity and minerality with a refreshing finish."*



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