



WITNESS TREE VINEYARD

2008
CHAINSAW
PINOT NOIR
WILLAMETTE VALLEY
ESTATE-BOTTLED

In the **Witness Tree Vineyard** we have a number of vineyard blocks that over the years have been grafted over from Chardonnay to Pinot Noir. The **grafting procedure involves** cutting away the existing “head” of the vine **using a chainsaw**, and then splicing the desired grape variety onto the remaining trunk. This leaves a **fully established root-system** to nourish the “**new**” vine. We lose one growing season to the procedure, but are back in full production the following year.

2008 Witness Tree Vineyard Chainsaw Pinot Noir - the **sixth vintage release** of this wine - is a composite of lots from various **grafted** sections of our vineyard and includes the Pinot Noir clones 113, 115, 777 as well as our favored Pommard clone.

The wine itself is **packed with bright red fruit** – predominantly **cherry and raspberry** – and is **layered with exotic spices and dark fruits**, all balanced by a firm structure from the wine’s natural acidity and tannins. The **2008 Witness Tree Vineyard Chainsaw** pairs splendidly with various styles of cuisine – from elegant to spicy – yet provides a delicious cocktail at the beginning of any full-on dinner party.

Vineyard Yield: 1.88 tons / acre
Vines grafted in 1996, 1997, 1999 and 2001
Type of Barrels: 60-gallon Burgundy barrels
Alliers and Voges Forest Oak
Medium and Medium+ toast
Total Production: 1470 cases
Titrateable Acidity: 6.3 grams/liter
pH: 3.64
Alcohol: 13.6 %

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