

# 2009 ARCHERY SUMMIT

Pinot Noir Red Hills Estate, Dundee Hills \$85

The 2009 Pinot Noir Red Hills Estate spent 15 months in barrel. Notes of vanilla, raspberry, and chocolate lead to a wine with greater density and richness than the preceding wines. Exceptionally substantial and lengthy for the vintage, it, too, should drink well through 2021 if not longer.



Pinot Noir Archery Summit Estate, Dundee

Hills, \$150 The 2009 Pinot Noir Archery Summit Estate (250 cases) also spent 15 months in barrel. Exotic spices, wood smoke, incense, rose petal, and assorted red and black fruits are followed by a wine with plenty of power for the vintage combined with a sense of elegance. Impeccably balanced, it offers a drinking window extending from 2012 to 2021.

#### 2009 ARCHERY SUMMIT Pinot Noir Arcus Estate Dundee Hills, \$100

The 2009 Pinot Noir Arcus Estate is a bit reticent aromatically but with swirling reveals enticing aromas of sandalwood, exotic spices, incense, and succulent fruit, a velvety texture, and outstanding depth and concentration for the vintage. This length effort has the structure to evolve for 1-2 years and should drink well through 2021+.

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Pinot Noir Looney Vineyard Ribbon Ridge, \$85

The 2009 Pinot Noir Looney Vineyard proffers and expressive nose of spice box, incense, floral notes, cherry and cranberry. Firmer on the palate than the Renegade Ridge bottling, it displays excellent depth and concentration for the vintage, some incipient complexity, and 1-2 years of aging potential. It offers a drinking window extending from 2012 to 2021.

#### 2009 ARCHERY SUMMIT Pinot Noir Renegade Ridge Estate Ribbon

RED HILLS ESTATE

Ridge, \$85 The fruit for the 2009 Pinot Noir Renegade Ridge Estate comes from a biodynamically farmed (but not certified) parcel that was fermented in 75% open top fermenters with 11% whole clusters. Notes of cinnamon, clove, cedar, rose petal, cherry, and raspberry compose the wine's enticing bouquet. Supple on the palate with ripe fruit and savory flavors, this nicely proportioned, lengthy effort is likely to evolve for 1-2 years and provide prime drinking through 2019.

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Pinot Noir Premier Cuvee Willamette Valley, \$48

The entry-level 2009 Pinot Noir Premier Cuvee is a blend of all five of the estate vineyards. It sports a pleasing perfume of red and black fruits, cedar, spice box, and rose petal. Savory and smooth-textured on the palate, it is a flavorful offering that displays a sense of elegance. Drink it over the next 6-7 years.

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Pinot Gris Ab Ovo Dundee Hills, \$42

The current collection contains one white wine; the 2010 Pinot Gris Ab Ovo is a winery-only item but too good not to mention. It was fermented in a concrete egg and aged sur lie for 7 month with batonnage. Fragrant aromas of melon and tropical fruits inform the nose of a dry, savory, nicely proportioned Gris that has a lengthy, fruit-filled finish. Drink this tasty effort over the next 3-4 years.

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