

## **Press**

### **Wine Enthusiast June 2012**

#### **90 Points- Illahe 2009 Willamette Valley Pinot Noir**

A somewhat pale wine, at first reluctant to show much aroma, it ultimately reveals itself to be elegant and surprisingly deep. Varietally expressive, with light cranberry and strawberry fruit, dusty tannins, toast, caramel and a whiff of incense. Complex and lovely. EDITOR'S CHOICE - PG

### **Wine Spectator**

#### **91 Point- Illahe 2008 Reserve Pinot Noir**

Light and fragrant, the silky texture carries lovely cherry, bergamot and tea flavors through a long, expressive finish. Tight tannins should soften with cellaring. Best from 2012 through 2018. 150 cases made. *-HS*

### **Wine Press Northwest**

#### **"2011 Oregon Winery to Watch"**

#### **Outstanding – 2008 Willamette Valley Pinot Noir**

#### **Excellent – 2009 Viognier**

### **Wine & Spirits Magazine**

#### **92 Points – Illahe 2008 Willamette Valley Pinot Noir**

#### **Top 100 Best Buy of 2011**

"Bright & gamey-like in its scent of fresh raspberries, this wine's brisk flavors are forward and fruity but never overreaching, along with an assertive middle palate and lithe finish. It has the grace to pair with a little spice, like chili-dusted tilapia."

### **Wine Spectator, April 2011**

#### **89 Points – Illahe Pinot Gris**

"Bright and vibrant, juicy with pear, tropical fruit and citrus, lingering with some intensity. Drink now. 500 cases made." – H.S.

### **Wine Spectator, November 2010**

#### **89 Points – Wine Spectator**

Light and spicy, with a cinnamon note ringing in the ears of the raspberry and cherry fruit, all of it dancing lightly through the long, delicate finish. Drink now through 2016. 1,500 cases made. *-H.S.*

### **Wine Enthusiast Scores October 2010**

#### **2009 Illahe Viognier, 91 points, Wine Enthusiast**

"Delightfully Aromatic, this evocative, low alcohol (12.5%) Viognier send up pungent, piney aromas of citrus peel and flesh. A mix of lemon, orange, and grapefruit flavors, smooth and clean, roll into a seamless and satisfying finish. Best Buy." – PG October 2010

**2009 Illahe Gruner Veltliner, 90 Points, Wine Enthusiast**

"Why not an Oregon Gruner? With its nuanced aromas trailing flint and smoke through a core of grapefruit, pineapple and melon, this is a welcome warm weather wine. Just 12.5% alcohol, a solid midpalate, and a hint of vanilla cookie in the lingering finish. Best Buy."- PG October 2010

**Wine Spectator Scores, December 31st, 2009**

**ILLAHE Pinot Noir Willamette Valley 2006  
89 Points**

"Polished, focused and distinctive for the rose petal and chamomile tea accents to the plump core of currant, cherry and spice flavors. The finish holds together easily. Drink now through 2014. 475 cases made." –HS

**ILLAHE Pinot Noir Willamette Valley 2007  
88 Points**

"Light and spicy, with pretty raspberry and cinnamon flavors, lingering against refined tannins. Drink now through 2012. 1,300 cases made". –HS

**Wine Enthusiast Scores- December 17th, 2009**

**Illahe 2007 Pinot Noir  
89 Points**

"Forward and surprisingly fruity, this has a pleasing sweetness to the cherry and raspberry-flavored fruit. It's round and ripe, very nicely balanced, and supported with bracing acidity. A remarkable effort for the vintage and the price." – P.G. (12/15/2009)

**Illahe 2007 Reserve Pinot Noir  
89 Points**

"A barrel selection, this was given 45% new oak, and surprisingly is listed at slightly lower alcohol than the regular 2007 Pinot Noir from Illahe. It does show a bit more new oak flavor and less forward fruit. Balanced and sound, it is a fine companion to the regular bottling." – P.G. (12/15/2009)

**Illahe 2008 Pinot Gris  
88-Best Buy**

"Fresh and spicy, this has classic Oregon Pinot Gris pear-flavored fruit. It's lifted by natural acids and highlighted with not-too-sweet baking spice." – P.G. (12/15/2009)