



Blue Pirate

2008 Pinot Noir Oregon

Winemaker Notes:

Vibrant red and black raspberries, wild strawberries, Bing cherries and floral (violet) aromas, with subtler notes of minerality and spice. Sweet, soft medium-weight entry, with dominant flavors of wild strawberry and raspberries echoing the aromatics. Very fine-grain tannin and persistent sweet fruit, along with nicely balancing acidity give the impression of plump fresh fruit on the mid-palate. The flavors continue to mirror the aromas, with the addition of a zesty citrus character, and persist through the nicely resolved, lingering finish.

Stats:

Alcohol 13.8% - pH 3.34 - TA 5.7

Blue Pirate Story: Blue birds would sit in the trees outside the Westnut hazelnut factory and steal the nuts from the delivery trucks, drop them on the ground and break the shells. The birds would then swoop down and grab the nuts for food, leaving the shell behind. These swashbuckling birds were named Blue Pirates. Westnut produced packaged hazelnuts and named the product “Blue Pirate Filberts”. Our Pinot Gris is produced at this renovated, historical building, now called 12th & Maple in Dundee, Oregon and is also dedicated to the Blue Bird that once pirated the hazelnuts.

