

~ VINTAGE NOTES 2005 ~

HARVEST 2005:

2005 was one of the coolest growing seasons in the last 10 – 15 years. A winter drought and early, warm spring resulted in bud break in mid-March. A fairly wet spring and moderate summer resulted in later ripening with October bringing substantial rainfall just when fruit was achieving maturity. Harvest was interspersed with rainfall and bursts of sun and these windows of dryness dictated picking. This was a vintage for diligent vineyard management and experienced winemaking. Winemakers were rewarded by this long



growing season year with intense fruit complemented by a freshness of acidity and structure that Oregon has built its reputation on. 2005 is being hailed as a “Classic Oregon Vintage”.

