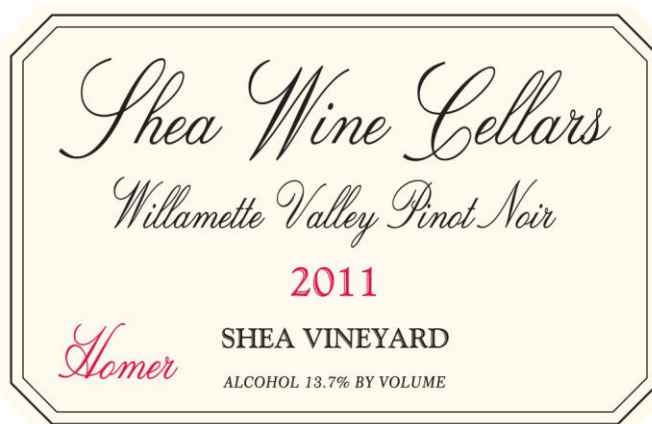


American Grand Cru – *Wine Enthusiast*



### 2011 Homer Willamette Valley Pinot Noir

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<b>Pinot Noir Clones:</b>	Wädenswil, Dijon 777
<b>Harvest Dates:</b>	October 26 through October 31, 2011
<b>Quantity Produced:</b>	410 cases of 750 ml
<b>Date Bottled:</b>	August 2012
<b>Alcohol:</b>	13.7%
<b>Elevage (Aging):</b>	76% New French Oak
<b>Vineyard Source:</b>	Shea Vineyard Blocks 28, 29, 30
<b>Recommended Aging:</b>	Drink now through 2024

#### **Tasting Notes:**

Last but never least, we offer Homer, our blend of “best” barrels. This year’s Homer displays the overall characteristics of the 2011 vintage - wonderful aromatics, a succulent mouth feel, long finish, beautiful silky tannins – but it does so with Homer panache. The fruit leans towards the plum, blackberry, currant spectrum and the wine is focused and highly concentrated.

#### **2011 Vintage Notes:**

In 2011 we experienced the coolest growing season since the birth of Oregon’s wine industry in the 1960s. Fortunately, autumn rain held off allowing us to harvest dry fruit from mid-October into early November – our latest harvest ever. Long, slow flavor development is what winemakers hope for, and we got it in spades. Cool-vintage wines retain lots of acidity. That’s a good thing. Acidity makes the wine bright, food friendly and long-lived in the cellar. Our 2011 wines are full of elegant, old world complexity and character.

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