



**2007 RR Pinot Noir**  
**Ridgecrest Vineyards**  
**Ribbon Ridge AVA**  
**Willamette Valley**  
**Oregon**



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### Tasting Notes

At 12 years of age, this Ribbon Ridge wine still has plenty of life, with the savor of consommé and a caramelized sweetness. It leads with scents of beef consommé and black fig, then turns toward cherry and root vegetable flavors, with a honeycomb and toffee sweetness. It feels burnished and detailed, with the elegance of a wine approaching its essence. (684 cases)  
 —P.J.C. - W&S

### Vintage Notes

In summary, we think this may be a fantastic white vintage and a surprisingly good red vintage, despite the rain that many times might lead to less intense wines. With rain in the range of 2005 and much less than the last really rainy harvest season of 1997, most winemakers in the valley knew how to adapt and took advantage of the vintage's attributes, such as lower sugars (and therefore alcohols) and higher acids. As long as botrytis is kept from reds or sorted out, and winemaking sleight of hand provides physical therapy for the intensity shortcomings, such as saignée, tannin adds, chaptalization, and acidulation, the vintage will have stellar wines, just with more variability. Buy whites in general, buy reds from trusted names.

### Technical Data

**Alcohol - 12.8%**

**TA - 6.3g/L**

**pH - 3.52**

**Production - 684 cases**

**Release - October 2009**

**Drink - now - 2027**



# Aging wine

## building a fourth dimension

In the appreciation of wine, we always want more. We want to know details, experience the lifestyle, and be ahead of others in discovering future epiphanies. Many people understand the beauty, versatility and magic of Pinot Noir freshly released from their favorite winery and currently on wine shelves. But few people understand what an older wine should taste like and the oohs and aahs of ultimate pleasure that result from the experience of drinking a bottle held by someone for years.

***"One of the dimensions of fine wine that is often overlooked is bottle development."***

***- Harry Peterson-Nedry***

As a wine ages, it gains a fourth Dimension. Restaurants rarely have cellars to supply an authentic Reserve List. Retail bottle shops often have wines no older than last week's delivery. Gone are the days when dust and cobwebs were wiped away to find a "special" wine for you in either place. Sadly, gone also is the ability to see a different spectrum of flavors, aromas, textures, and nuances found only in aged wines. But this doesn't have to be the case. RR wines were built to age gracefully. Delicious now, these bottles will only improve with time, as evidenced by the stunning array of library wines we've been aging just for you.



*Age-worthy wines from the first vines planted on Ribbon Ridge.*

