

AUBICHON CELLARS

Meticulous, hand-crafted, time-inefficient Willamette Valley winemaking by Jim Sanders since 2007. Centered around friendships and sourced only from select vineyard sites, Aubichon features distinguished small-production Pinot Noir and Alsatian-style Pinot Gris from any AVA in the Willamette Valley. In a word, Aubichon wines are "artisinal" ... if there is an easy way to do something, chances are we didn't do it that way. You will benefit from the detailed quality of our labor.

2011 Aubichon Cellars "Armstrong Vineyard" Pinot Noir

Vineyard:	100% Armstrong Vineyard
AVA:	Ribbon Ridge (Willamette Valley, OR)
Cooperage:	4 barrels, Tight-grain French oak
Barrel Aging:	11 months
Alcohol:	13.7%
Production:	93 cases



<u>About the Vineyard</u>: Planted in 2007 at an approximate elevation of 350-ft, Armstrong Vineyard is composed of Willakenzie soil – a marine sedimentary soil high in quartz content with a rich brown color.

<u>About the Winemaker</u>: Jim Sanders focuses on small-production, hand-crafted wines, learning his technique from friend and mentor Mike Etzel. He ages his Pinot for 11-18 months in top-tier French oak, primarily from the François Frères and Mercurey cooperages. Jim is co-owner and winemaker for Aubichon Cellars and select cuvees in the Willamette Valley, including the highly rated Le Cadeau "Équinoxe" and "Merci."

<u>92-PTS. Wine Enthusiast Cellar Selection</u>: "Scented with sandalwood and cocoa, it's a nicely balanced blend of strawberry, cherry and mineral components, underscored with clean, crisp acidity. A wine you may happily sip forever, and cellar through 2024 or longer."–PG

<u>91-PTS. Tanzer's International Wine Cellar:</u> "A heady, exotically perfumed bouquet displays scents of red berry compote, incense and smoky Indian spices. Tangy and precise, with a silky texture to its sweet black raspberry and cherry-vanilla flavors. Finishes on a spicy note, with impressive clarity and very good persistence."–JR

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