



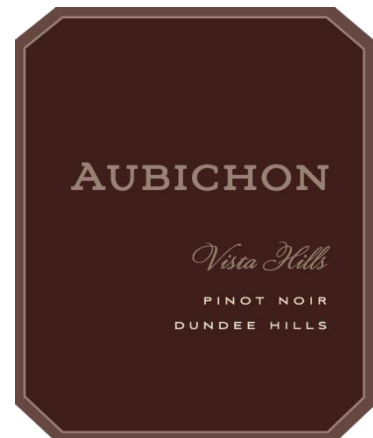
AUBICHON CELLARS

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, Chardonnay, and Alsatian-style Pinot Gris from all AVAs of the Willamette Valley. *In a word, Aubichon wines are "artisanal" ...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.

We were proudly selected by Wine Spectator as one of "Eight New Names to Know", January 2015.

2012 Aubichon "Vista Hills" Pinot Noir

<i>Winemaker:</i>	Jim Sanders
<i>Vineyard:</i>	100% Vista Hills, Dundee Hills AVA (High elevation, Jory soil)
<i>Clones:</i>	60% Dijon 667, 40% Dijon 777
<i>Cooperage:</i>	Tight-grain French oak; 40% new
<i>Technique & Aging:</i>	11 months barrel aging
<i>Alcohol:</i>	13.0%
<i>Production:</i>	100 cases (4 barrels)



About the Winemaker: 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."

Wine Enthusiast Editors' Choice, 93 Points: Good grip and detail highlight this vineyard designate. Smoke, pipe tobacco, a whiff of cigar and a spicy edge bringing in cinnamon and clove are all well-matched to the ripe, plush fruit. Length and complexity make this a standout. –Paul Gregutt

Buyer's Notes: