

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 "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.

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

2015 Aubichon Vin Rosé de Pinot Gris

Winemaker:	Jim Sanders
Vineyard AVAs:	Willamette Valley
Aging:	Partial oak with skin contact
Alcohol:	14.3%
Bottling Date:	March 15, 2016
Production:	161 cases



<u>Production Notes</u>: Aubichon Vin Rosé is a blend of Pinot gris from three vineyards in the Northern Willamette Valley – primarily older-vine vineyards, with 15% crisp Pinot gris from a high elevation (800') site. 45% of the fruit was barrel fermented – destemmed and cold-soaked on the skins for 72 hours before pressing, resulting in its beautiful rosé hue. The cooperage is tight grain French oak, both neutral and single-use barrels. The wine was aged on lees for 5 months before bottling.

<u>Tasting Notes</u>: Aromatics of ripe honeydew melon and strawberries. On the palate, melon, strawberry, and plum lead to a juicy mid-palate with flavors of tropical star and mango fruits wrapped in a smooth, round, creamy texture. The finish lingers with a touch of vanilla and toasty almond framed by food-friendly acidity.

<u>About the Winemaker</u>: Jim Sanders is the winemaker and a founding partner in Aubichon Cellars. Jim focuses on small production, hand-crafted wines, aged exclusively in top-tier French oak from the finest cooperages in Burgundy. Through 18 vintages in the Willamette Valley, Jim's winemaking portfolio features some of Oregon's most acclaimed wines, including several cuvees of highly rated Pinot Noir from Le Cadeau Vineyard.