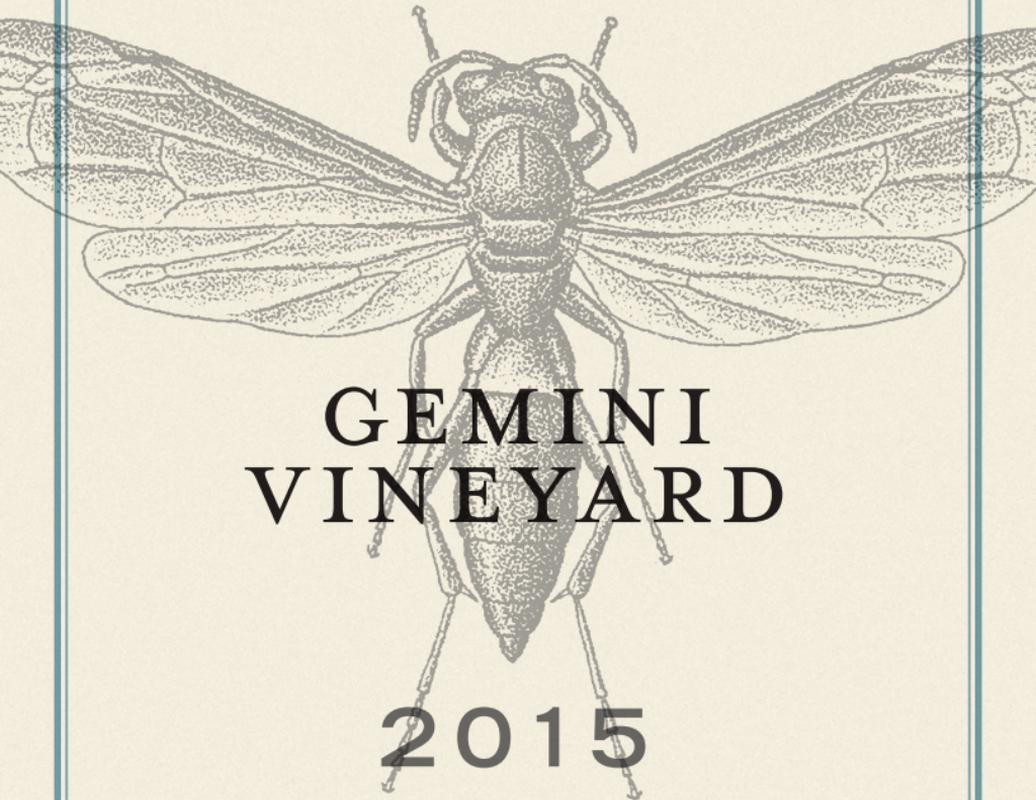


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GEMINI
VINEYARD

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LIMITED BOTTLING
PINOT NOIR

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WILLAMETTE VALLEY PINOT NOIR

ALCOHOL: 13.25% PH: 3.48

THESIS: It's all perspective.

A STORY: Dale Hatfield, my longtime friend and owner/farmer of Gemini Vineyard, looks like he should be on a box of corn flakes. He's MacGyver incarnate, has five kids, his vineyard doesn't have a rock or a weed in it, and if/when the "end of days" comes, I'm going to his house. I'll likely bring a couple of bottles.

THE CLIFF NOTES: The color is clear red. The nose is a complex of red and orange aromas, passion-fruit, blond spice, savory capers, and slight smoke. The flavors are a more pronounced red, perhaps cherry, followed by orange pekoe tea, vanillin, Circus Peanut candy and black pepper. The acid is mouth-watering, and the grip is well integrated.

THE BUILDING OF: Six- to eight-barrel-lot, wild-yeast fermentations in stainless steel, 100% barrel aged for 18 months in French oak (two new, one twice-filled, one older). Bottled unfinned and unfiltered in March 2017.

AGEABILITY: We absolutely recommend that you consider decanting to get it some air within its first three years. This wine should easily climb in complexity beyond a dozen years.

VINEYARDS: The Laurelwood soil of **Gemini Vineyard** in the Chehalem Mountains AVA is a rich, wind-blown loess that contributes vigor to the plants and good acid to the wines made from these grapes, which are grafted 24-year-old Scott Henry-trained Pommard clone Pinot noir.

— Jim Prosser, owner/winemaker