



# De Ponte Cellars

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**Wine:** Halsey Pinot Noir

**Vintage:** 2011

**Vineyards:** De Ponte Estate Vineyard

**AVA:** Dundee Hills

**Aging Potential:** 7-9 years

**Alcohol:** 13.8%

**Production:** 458 cases

**Barrel Aging:** 15-20% new French oak, remainder aged in 2-5 year old French oak. 10 months of barrel aging.

**Vintage Notes:** 2011 was the latest and coolest in Oregon's recent winemaking history. After much stress as to whether the weather would even allow for the clusters to ripen, October delivered enough dry and sunny weather to grant phenolic ripeness and a pleasant dry harvest which was completed mostly in November. The resulting wines are clear, focused and complex—some that will be very long lived in the bottle.

**Tasting Notes:** The Halsey Pinot Noir is an elegant light bodied Pinot; it's fresh and vibrant with raspberry and cherry flavors along with a classic mushroom earthy characteristic. It shows subtle and fine-grained tannins on the lively juicy finish. Easy to enjoy now, it will age beautifully in the next 4-5 years

**Food Pairings:** Dijon rubbed pork chops, wood fired mushroom pizza, Coq au Vin

