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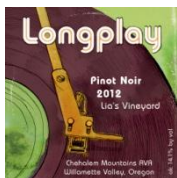
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Groove Club Shipment #12 - What's in the Box?

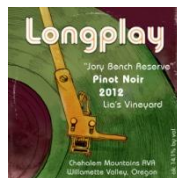
This shipment highlights the 2012 vintage. The vintage was widely heralded as a "perfect vintage" - posing few challenges in the vineyard or the cellar - and received a lot of positive press. To my palate, I find the wines agreeable and broadly reliable. It was very hard to make a bad wine in 2012, and really, really good was pretty easy. I do like the way the wines have aged and I hope you'll like them as well. They are ready to enjoy now for most palates, so no need to sit on these.

Longplay 2012 Pinot Noir, Lia's Vineyard (2 bottles).



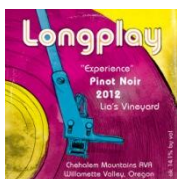
This is a cross section of the entire vineyard with a little bit of everything in it. It has softened a bit with age and is drinking well now with some nice fruit flavors and a hint of spice. We picked the younger vines on October 4th and the older vines on the 18th. 313 cases produced.

Longplay 2012 Pinot Noir, "Jory Bench Reserve," Lia's Vineyard (2 bottles)



Block 1, my favorite block of Pommard selection, and Blocks 4 and 5, old Wadenswil selection, make up this bottling. There are a couple new barrels in the mix, so just over 20 percent new oak.. This wine has really come into its own and exhibits some wonderful pedigree without being flamboyant. Two bottles isn't enough! Reason enough to double down on the club pack! 196 cases produced.

Longplay 2012 Pinot Noir, "Experience," Lia's Vineyard (1 bottle)



When we empty the tanks after fermentation and transfer the young wines to barrel, we sometimes have half a barrel of wine left. In 2012, we combined a half barrel of 115 and a half barrel of Mariafeld and put them in the cellar and we were surprised at how nice the wine was straight from the barrel. We added another barrel of each to this bottling, one of which was a new barrel, so we're talking 33 percent new oak. This wine is aging well, it remains dense and a bit more tannic than the typical Longplay offering. 72 cases produced.

Longplay 2015 Pinot Noir, "Experience," Lia's Vineyard (1 bottle)



Experience returns - bigger and bolder than ever! This wine is 100 percent whole cluster 828 clone with deep color and quite a bit of grip. There is no new oak, however both barrels were only once-filled, so there is maybe a bit more oak than I like, but the fruit and tannins are big enough to keep things in balance. More or less. This is a wine that really appeals to some people while others will find it ... *interesting* ... even if it isn't their favorite. Just 48 cases produced (including six magnums).