Longplay™ 2015 Pinot Noir, "Experience," Lia’s Vineyard

Harvest: September 10, 2015
Vineyard: Lia’s Vineyard, Chehalem Mountains AVA
Vine age: 7 years
Clone: 100 percent 828
Yield: 2.4 tons per acre
Cellar: Spontaneous fermentation in 1.5 ton bins, 100 percent whole cluster. Seventeen months in two, once-filled French oak barrels.

Production: 48 cases
Alcohol by volume: 14.5 percent
Bottled: March 23, 2017

When we find an opportunity to produce a wine that shows our vineyard from a new or different perspective we get excited. After a two year hiatus, Experience returns bigger and bolder than ever with the 2-15 vintage. This wine showcases a whole-cluster fermentation from a block of 828 grown on sedimentary soil. The wine features a floral bouquet, deep blue fruit, a hint of coconut, a generous dose of chewy tannins, and a pure, focused finish. We worked with Pam Walden, of Willfull Wines on this bottling. This wine is the result of that brilliant experience.

The wine reminds us of early heavy metal bands - despite using the same toolkit it is completely different, unexpected, thrilling and delicious.