

# UPPER BENCH

WINERY & CREAMERY



## 2011 PINOT NOIR

\$27

**“This (barrel sample) is already full-bodied and generous on the palate, with aromas and flavours of black cherries. This will mature to an elegant Pinot Noir.” ~ John Schreiner**

### Nose:

- Red currant
- Blackberry
- Strawberry
- Black earth

### Palate:

- Raspberry
- Strawberry
- Black cherry
- Fine lingering tannins
- Elegant berry, fruit finish

### Vintage Notes:

As well as being our first vintage here at Upper Bench, 2011 was one of the coolest Okanagan vintages on record. Saved by the long warm fall, this Pinot Noir was hand picked from our own 17-year-old vines on the 3<sup>rd</sup> of November 2011 at 1.6 tons per acre. The cool season, low crop, and small berries gave this Pinot unusually dark colour and robust flavours.

CASES 144 | CSPC 625285 | ALC. 14.1% | BRIX 25  
TONS 1.6/ACRE | pH 3.49 | T.A. 7.4 | R.S. 2.5 | V.A. 0.83

AGING: 18 MONTHS IN 25% NEW FRENCH OAK

VINEYARD: UPPER BENCH

PICK DATES: NOVEMBER 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2011

PAIRS WITH: UPPER BENCH'S OKANAGAN SUN<sup>2</sup>, GREY BABY & GOLD