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Good Evening, Please join us Friday night for our Oregon Pinot Noir Tasting and to go with these excellent Pinots from our valley, we are pairing "Coq Au Vin" the famous chicken dish from the late great Julia Childs. A great pairing for Oregon Pinot. I even cooked with pinot for this dish!

When, Friday, May 4th

Time: 4-8 PM

Cost: Full \$30 Half pour: \$17

The Wines:

**2015 Alexana Revana Vineyard \$49** Deep red. Mineral-accented raspberry and cherry aromas, along with hints of potpourri, cola and baking spices. Silky and energetic on the palate, offering appealingly sweet red fruit, floral pastille and spicecake flavors that deepen as the wine opens up. Fine-grained tannins frame a very long, spice-tinged finish that shows excellent delineation and building florality. **92 Points Vinous**

**2015 Haden Fig Bjornson Vineyard Pinot Noir \$29** Brilliant red. Sexy, spice-accented red berry preserve and floral pastille scents are sharpened by hints of blood orange and smoky minerals. Sweet and seamless in the mouth; juicy acidity gives spine and focus to intense raspberry, candied rose and cherry cola flavors. Shows very good depth and no rough edges, and finishes with excellent clarity, harmonious tannins and strong, floral-tinged persistence. **92 Points Vinous**

**2015 Ayres Pioneer Pinot Noir \$36** All clone 667, the 2015 Pinot Noir Pioneer has a pale to medium ruby-purple color and an enticing perfume of violets, black cherries, black raspberries and potpourri with hints of oolong tea and sautéed herbs. Medium-bodied, it reveals a very elegant palate of silky tannins and seamless freshness, finishing long and spicy. **93 Points Wine Advocate**

**2015 Brick House Ribbon Ridge \$36** Pale ruby-purple, the 2015 Pinot Noir Select opens with fragrant lavender, raspberry leaves and wild strawberry on the nose with suggestions of dusty earth and cinnamon stick. Light to medium-bodied, the palate is wonderfully elegant and intense, with tons of fragrance and energy framed by finely-grained tannins, finishing long with the earthiness coming through. **92 Points Wine Advocate**

**2015 Patricia Green Cellars Estate Vineyard Old Vine Ribbon Ridge \$25** One-third whole clusters and 8% new French oak) Deep, lurid red. Sexy red berry liqueur, incense and Asian spice aromas are complemented by subtle cola and candied rose notes. Silky, smooth and penetrating on the palate, offering concentrated raspberry, bitter cherry and spicecake flavors that become sweeter as the wine opens up. Seamless and densely packed yet lively as well, finishing with strong red fruit thrust and velvety tannins that arrive late. **93 Points Vinous**

**2015 Cristom Willamette Valley Pinot Noir Mt Jefferson \$28** Bright red. Fresh red berry and candied rose scents show impressive clarity and energy. Sweet and vibrant in style, offering lively, mineral-tinged raspberry and spicecake flavors and seamless texture. Closes with very good focus and alluring spiciness; fine-grained tannins add shape and subtle grip. **91 Points Vinous**

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