



# 2018 Pinot Noir Willamette Valley

850 Cases Produced

## Vineyard Composition

- 33% Ribbon Ridge Vineyard, Ribbon Ridge AVA
- 14% Sunny Mountain Vineyard, Monroe, WV
- 14% Temperance Hill Vineyard, Eola-Amity Hills
- 13% Vista Hills Vineyard, Dundee Hills AVA
- 13% Sunnyside, East Salem, WV AVA
- 13% Gemini Vineyard, Laurelwood AVA

## Chemistry

- 14.2% Alcohol
- 6.1 g/L Titratable Acidity
- 3.61 pH

## Vintage Notes

The Willamette Valley Pinot Noir is a multi-vineyard and multi-appellation blend. The intent of this wine is to capture the essence of the vintage. Like canning preserves in my kitchen, I see winemaking as a preserving of the harvest. I look for a sweet fruit aroma to pull you into the glass followed by all of the nuances that make us love Pinot Noir. A bright acid profile is key to keeping the palate vibrant, pairing the wine with food and letting the flavors linger long after the swallow. Balance creates a dynamic wine that is exciting to drink and that pairs well with a variety of foods.

## Production Notes

The grapes were carefully sorted and mostly destemmed. The small-lot fermentations were un-inoculated and punched gently hand. Once dry, the must was pressed and sent to barrel after a short settling period. The wine was aged in completely neutral French cooperage for the duration of its elevage. The final blend contains 26% whole cluster. The wine was bottled after a pandemic induced delay in July, 2021

## Vineyard Notes

The vineyard sources for this wine vary by soil, altitude, location and age. They all are exceptionally expressive sites farmed by conscientious stewards of the land. There is a combination of Pommard, 667, 777, 115, Upright (828), Pinot Gamay and Mariafeld (23) clones in this bottle.