

ESTABLISHED 2001

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Vintners of Neo-Classical Pinot Noir

2018 Winemaker's Cuvée Pinot Noir

Each year we craft a blend that illustrates our best attempt, within the confines of what we are given by the growing conditions, to make a stylized vintage statement. We call this blend the "The Winemaker's Cuvée". The style intent of the blend is to exhibit a slightly more masculine character--more weight, density and structure with slightly riper tones and a touch more concentration.

VINEYARDS – White Rose Vineyard (65%), Vista Hills Vineyard (20%), Guillen Vineyard (10%), Anderson Family Vineyard (5%)

Age: Planted 1978-2001

Clone: Pommard, Dijon 115 and Dijon 777

Elevation: (450-870')

Soil: Jory (volcanic basalt); Nekia

AVA: Willamette Valley

HARVEST INFO

A cool September allowed us to hang the grapes longer than the hotter conditions of 2015 and 2016. The resulting wine combines the flavors of a warmer vintage with the moderate alcohol and elegance of a cooler growing season. A dry picking season and cool September to October nights provided for increased hang time and reduces frenzy in the winery as the harvest window was quite wide open. Yields in 2018 were fairly robust averaging 2.2 to 3.2 TPA depending on vineyard/block.

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Whole Cluster: Fermented 100% whole cluster

Fermentation: 11-13 days on depending on vineyard/lot

Barrel Aging: 12 months in French oak barrels (20% new)

Alcohol: 13.0%

pH: 3.78

Production: 125 cases