

VINTAGE NOTES:

2019 was a very "Oregon" vintage. It reminded us of vintages 2013, 2010, and 2007 when we had to make smart and difficult picking decisions due to rain in the forecast. Though challenging, these vintages have always been a favorite in the Oregon winemakers' circle. We get great aromatics, higher acids, lower alcohols, and very elegant ageworthy wines.

WINEMAKING NOTES:

This pinot is sustainably grown and hand picked. We do not add anything to extract color. We use 20% whole cluster. Fermentation is 100% native yeast. We macerate on the skins for 24 days, scoop the pomace into the press by hand and press in a wood basket. This wine is aged for 9 months in barrel with 10% new French oak barrels and 90% neutral French oak barrels.

TASTING NOTES:

Ruby red in color with a nose of red raspberry, mountain oregon strawberry, sage, fresh fig, ripe pie cherry, clove and cinnamon with a palate of graham cracker crust and pine forest, with nice weight and velvet tannins. Finishes with hints of graphite, salinity, and red apple skin.

ILLAHE PINOT NOIR WILLAMETTE VALLEY 2019



TECHNICAL DATA:

Cases produced: 7459
FSO2: 30 ppm
pH: 3.57
Titratable Acidity: 6.03
Alcohol: 13.5%
Soil: Shallow SedimentaryClay
Elevation: 250-450ft

100% native fermentation Harvest date: 9/24-10/11

Barrel aged: 10 months in 10% new french oak

Vineyards:

92% Illahe Vineyards (Estate)
Small percentages from:

Lemelson

Vitae Springs Ash Creek

Methven Family
AVA: Willamette Valley
Notes: LIVE and Salmon Safe





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