

# 2017 WILLAMETTE VALLEY PINOT NOIR

AVERÆN was born out of our love for cool climate Pinot Noir. Oregon's Willamette Valley offers an ideal growing climate, where strong winds blow from the nearby Pacific Ocean, and the mix of ancient volcanic soils and marine sediments from a prehistoric ocean floor lend intense minerality and complexity to the Pinot Noir grapes grown on them. Simple sustainable farming, hands-off winemaking and a passion for Pinot Noir dictate our mission.

Our vineyards span the Willamette's sub-AVAs, enabling us to create a wine that is a true representation of the Valley as a whole – playing off each site's specific personality and complementary nature to create a harmonious blend.



#### **VINEYARDS**

CHEHALEM MOUNTAINS AVA Chehalem Mountain Vineyard, La Belle Promenade DUNDEE HILLS AVA NYSA, Arcus, Red Hills YAMHILL-CARLTON AVA SISU, Deux Vert MCMINNVILLE AVA Meredith Mitchell, Momtazi, Still EOLA-AMITY HILLS AVA Valin-Morrissey, Bois Joli, Eola Springs WILLAMETTE VALLEY AVA Holmes Gap, Cooper Creek, Croft, Satori Springs

## WINEMAKING

VARIETIES 100% Pinot Noir HARVEST September 23rd - October 15th FERMENTATION Temperature controlled stainless steel and neutral foudre AGING 10 months in 228L Rousseau, Remond, Cavin, Chassin, Seguin Moreau barrels LABS 13.5% alc. by vol. 3.65pH 6.53 TA UPC 853868006413

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#### 91 POINTS, VINOUS

"Displays abundant berry and floral character, with vibrant spice accents adding verve. Seamless in texture and appealingly sweet, the 2017 finishes with impressive, juicy persistence and resonating florality. This is textbook Willamette Valley Pinot Noir at a great price. focus, with juicy, fresh red fruit in abundance. Oregon's 2017 vintage will be remembered as a true classic, yielding wines that are true to their nature and simultaneously approachable and age-able." - Josh Raynolds