

# SOTER VINEYARDS

2019 Estates Pinot Noir

### THE WINE.

The Estates Pinot Noir represents our fascination with the breadth of great vineyard sites located throughout the Northern Willamette Valley. This wine is comprised of Pinot Noir entirely from our Estate holdings, which includes but is no longer limited to our flagship property, Mineral Springs Ranch. With recent property acquisitions, and the perfection of long-term leases and grape contracts, we can now rely on secure, "Estate" controlled sourcing for all the wines that carry the Soter name.

### THE VINTAGE.

In 20 years we will be talking about the 2019 vintage as one of the Oregon Classics. Not because of it's power but because of it's grace. The growing season was one to two degrees cooler than 2018 with a balanced crop that was neither large nor small. A smattering of wet weather in September rolled in after the sparkling wine harvest which contributed to the perfumed and red-fruited core of these Pinot Noirs. These wines can best be described as having incredible finesse, with a bright burst of acidity, and profound phenolic ripeness. It was the last week of hang time in mid-late September which allowed the grapes to develop deeper flavors and more sophisticated tannins.

AROMAS
wild cherry pit

blueberry skins

black pepper

#### PRIMARY FLAVORS

dark cherry oregon grape wild blueberry

#### SECONDARY FLAVORS

fruit leather brown baking spice

# **FINISH**

round grippy tannins

VARIETAL

100% Pinot Noir

VINEYARD / APPELLATION

38% Eola-Amity Hills Estate Vineyard 24% Ribbon Ridge Estate Vineyard

38% Mineral Springs Vineyard

ALCOHOL 13.8%

PRODUCTION 1.800 cases

FERMENTATION and AGING

43% new oak

aged 10 months in barrel farmed to organic standards













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