



# PINOT NOIR

2018 - 30188 -

### THE LEGEND

Master winemaker Bob Cabral has summoned his legendary skills to craft a wine worthy of the Iron Throne. Sourced from the finest winegrowing kingdoms of the land, it is as complex as the tales and histories it acclaims. Revel in the winemaker's art, for winter is here.

#### \* VINTAGE

While 2018 was a warmer than average vintage, temperatures stayed in the low to mid 90s with few heat spikes, making for a balanced year. Low rainfall during late September and into October made harvest easier to manage with sugar levels, acidity, and pH all close to average. When moderately warm days occur along with cool nights, vines can rest in the evening and concentrate efforts on developing more fruit complexity and flavors.

# **APPELLATION** Oregon

## \*\* WINEMAKING

This 100% Pinot Noir blend is made of several different lots and clonal selections from our different vineyard locations which gives us multiple blending options. Only the highest quality lots were selected for this blend. The average sugar at harvest was 25.2 Brix. The fermentation lasts about 7 days and then is pressed directly to tank where we finish Malolactic fermentation. The wine is sur lees aged 10 months on a combination of 30% new French and 30% new American medium toasted oak. The results are complexity with bright-creamy fruit and concentrated mouthfeel.

### \*\* TASTING NOTES

This Pinot Noir is elegant, well-built and bursting with brilliant, ripe, rich fruit flavors and aromas. It is fruit focused with subtle tones of earthiness, vanilla, spice and toasted oak in the background. There is a long, smooth inviting finish, tannins are present and well blended.