

ARGYLE

Pinot Noir | 2018 Willamette Valley AVA

GROWER  SERIES



TASTING NOTES

Argyle Pinot Noir highlights the elegance and complexity of the Willamette Valley, showcasing the purity of fruit and supple texture the region has to offer. Fermented entirely in small, 1.5 ton lots and plunged by hand, the 2018 vintage leans dark cherry, red raspberry, and orange zest. Fresh, vibrant acidity is framed with polished tannin along with classic Argyle silky texture and persistent length.

VINTAGE NOTES

The 2018 growing season began with a relatively mild and dry winter and moderately cool spring, leading to bud break during the second and third weeks of April. Temperatures picked up in May and continued into a beautiful mid-June bloom. The rest of the summer continued to be warm and very dry, with no precipitation for nearly 3 months. Early September remained warm and dry through the beginning of the sparkling harvest, but then cooled down with a few days of precipitation in the middle of the month. This allowed for still wine ripening (and the cellar crew!) to slow down and catch their breath before finishing out with beautiful late September and early October weather. In all, the 2018 harvest was very condensed, having started with Chardonnay at the lower elevations of Lone Star Vineyard in the Eola-Amity Hills on September 4th and finishing with Pinot Noir in the upper elevations of the Eola-Amity Hills at Spirit Hill Vineyard on October 2nd.

ABV 14.0%

WINE MAKER Nate Klostermann

HARVESTED Sept. 10 - Oct. 3, 2018

COMPOSITION 100% Pinot Noir

pH 3.71

TA 5.0 g/L

BRIX AT HARVEST 23.5

BARREL AGING 70% Stainless Steel, 30% Neutral Oak



VINEYARD1 Knudsen Vineyard

LOCATION Dundee Hills

ELEVATION 530-1000 ft.

VINEYARD3 Spirit Hill Vineyard

LOCATION Eola-Amity Hills

ELEVATION 700-850 ft.

VINEYARD2 Lone Star Vineyard

LOCATION Eola-Amity Hills

ELEVATION 200-400 ft.

VINEYARD4 Giving Tree Vineyard

LOCATION Willamette Valley

ELEVATION 350-550 ft.