

2020

Grande Cuvée Pinot Noir

Willamette Valley

WINEMAKER'S NOTES

The 2020 Grande Cuvée Pinot noir is sourced from a collection of family-owned vineyards across the Willamette Valley. This wine overflows with deep aromas of baked cherries, fresh garden herbs, and applewood chips. The palate is exuberant with tart yet supple red fruit notes and a warm spice through to the finish. Drink now or cellar until 2025.

TECHNICAL NOTES

Harvest date:	09/22/2020	AVA:	Willamette Valley
Brix:	23.1°	Blend:	100% Pinot Noir
pH:	3.57	Aging:	6 Months
Alcohol:	13.5%	New Oak:	15%
RS:	0.52 g/L	Skin contact:	14 days

THE VINTAGE

In a globally unexpected year, we had an unexpected vintage for Willamette Valley wines as well. Yields were slightly decreased due to early spring temperature fluctuations. Light April frost reduced budding by a fractional amount, and June bloom was tempered by cooler and wetter weather than desired. This led to smaller berries and the loss of some clusters. When the moisture abated, the lead-up to harvest was mild, allowing a lengthy phenolic ripening period and concentrated fruit due to the smaller berries and yield.

Like much of the West Coast, our area experienced outbreaks of small forest fires just before harvest time. We partner with vineyards around the valley, and were able to closely monitor the fruit for any issues. Luckily we were able to go through with a normal harvest and ended up with ripe, concentrated, perfectly delicious fruit. Slow hangtime on the vine is always a good thing, and the 2020 vintage is shaping up to compete with the best of them.

THE SOLÉNA STORY

Soléna is a combination of Spanish and French words Solana and Soleil, celebrating the sun, the moon and cycles of life. We were launched in May of 2000 when our owners purchased our 80-acre estate which became the Domaine Danielle Laurent vineyard. Furthering their successful careers in the Oregon wine industry, Laurent Montalieu and Danielle Andrus Montalieu gifted this vineyard to each other for their wedding, and began making wine under the label named Soléna after their daughter.

Soléna Estate showcases the beauty of terroir in our site-specific wines. We craft delicious wine from our own estate vineyards in Yamhill-Carlton and McMinnville AVAs, as well as iconic single-vineyards around the Northwest. We're well known for consistent, ageable Pinot Noir, Chardonnay, Pinot Gris, and Cabernet Sauvignon. However, our entrepreneurial spirit means we keep expanding our offerings. Visit our picturesque vineyard and tasting room in Yamhill, Oregon and raise a glass to celebrate friends, family, and life!



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