



## 2013 EYRIE VINEYARDS

# ESTATE SINGLE VINEYARD PINOT NOIR COLLECTION



### THE VITICULTURE & VINIFICATION

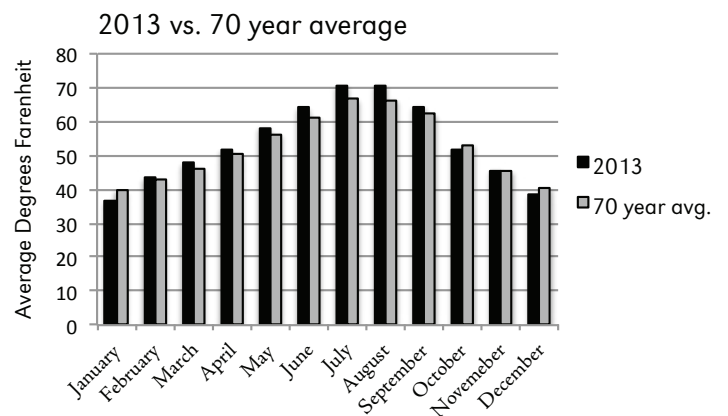
Our five vineyards are all remarkable examples of Pinot noir in the Willamette Valley. Not only has each been farmed organically since inception, each vineyard contains ungrafted, pre-Phylloxera plantings that are vanishingly rare in the world of wine.

These five cuvées are produced identically, with the same fermentation regimes of wild yeast and small fermentation vessels, followed by aging in blends of cooperage with 12% new oak in each. The result is a fascinating journey up the Dundee Hills, from our lowest elevation Sisters vineyard at 220' up to our highest elevation Daphne vineyard at 860'. Each wine reflects facets of soil, site, exposure, and vine age that together capture a precise portrait of how variations in place can influence Pinot noir.

### THE VINTAGE

In true Oregon style, the 2013 vintage in the Willamette Valley was dynamic. Consistently warm temperatures throughout spring and summer seemed to be pushing us towards an early harvest. However, late August and September brought a pattern of high morning clouds that slowed sugar accumulation and let the flavors catch up. In spite of rains in late September harvest commenced and finished at normal dates. The 2013 wines have both the bright acidity of a cool year and ripe fruit overtones of a warm year. The result is an attractive and energetic balance.

### AVERAGE TEMPERATURE



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## 2013 PINOT NOIR SISTERS

Elevation: 220'-330'    Planted: 1989-present    Acres: 20.3

In 1989, Sisters Vineyard was named after the three Pinot sisters: noir, blanc, and gris. Today Sisters is our experimental farm, with 8 varieties planted there. The youngest block serves double duty as a rootstock trial which is intensively measured and monitored. There are also 9 acres of hazelnuts planted at the site.



## 2013 PINOT NOIR OUTCROP

Elevation: 280'-360'    Planted: 1982-2000    Acres: 5.0

Named for the underlying outcrop of rock ridging against the hillside, Outcrop overlooks our Eyrie Vineyard. In spite of its northern exposure, reflected heat from the Original Vines warms the site. Planted by our neighbors, the Easons, over several decades, we purchased the site in 2011 and made our first vintage from these grapes in 2012.



## 2013 PINOT NOIR ROLAND GREEN

Elevation: 540'-720'    Planted: 1988 & 2016    Acres: 10.8

Roland Green is home to 6 acres of own-rooted vines and 5 acres of new Pinot noir plantings. These new plantings are on innovative rootstocks that not only resist Phylloxera, but are also adapted to the challenges of warmer vintages to come. Roland Green includes a reserve of 11 acres of unplanted ground for the future.



## 2013 PINOT NOIR DAPHNE

Elevation: 820'-860'    Planted: 1974-1984    Acres: 12.7

Planted at the crest of the hill, Daphne is one of the oldest and highest elevation plantings in the Dundee Hills. The soil is very shallow here, averaging less than 10" on top of bedrock. The site is windy and cool. In response to the harsh environment, the vines at Daphne are small, almost bonsai-like.



## 2013 PINOT NOIR ORIGINAL VINES

Elevation: 260'-410'    Planted: 1966-1974    Acres: 17.4

The vines that started it all. After a meticulous search, David and Diana moved the first 3000 vines in the Willamette Valley here from their 1965 nursery site. Named after the nest (or "eyrie") of red-tail hawks living at the site, hawks still nest here every year.



Eyrie's estate vineyards are all located in the Dundee Hills AVA and are own-rooted, non-irrigated and certified organic.