

## VINEYARD & VINTAGE NOTES

Perched high in the heart of the Dundee Hills, this picturesque site provides elegant fruit from the storied Jory soils of the AVA. LIVE certified with elevations ranging from 600-880 feet.

Bloom started in mid-April, an average and more typical start compared to 2014 and 2015. Fruit set was large requiring thoughtful thinning in the vineyards to keep ripeness balanced and quality high. Cool weather during fruit-set helped maintain vibrant acidity through harvest. May through early September proved exceptionally dry, with a few September showers helping to recharge soils and balance brix and phenolic ripeness. Pick time proved important, as sugars rose quickly in September and October. Mother Nature cooperated in allowing us to pick according to our preferences, rather than according to her schedule due to fall storms. 2018 will certainly prove to continue the string of excellent vintages that started in 2014.

#### WINEMAKING NOTES

A co-fermentation of Dijon clones 113, 667, and 777, this wine expresses the volcanic soils of the Dundee Hills elegantly, yet powerfully. Upon arrival, the grapes were immediately de-stemmed into an open-top two-ton fermenter. Following a seven day cold soak, the wine heated up quickly with a peak temperature of 94° F resulting in optimum extraction. We utlized pump overs exclusively to manage the cap. Following two days of settling, the wine was racked to barrel and aged for 16 months in 28% new French oak and one month in tank prior to being bottled unfined and unfiltered.

### WINEMAKER'S TASTING NOTES

Aromas of fresh cherry, strawberry, and red plum are followed by black tea leaves, sandalwood, toasted cinnamon, camphor, and perfumed rose. An elegant entrance with a smooth wave of tannin leads to lush red fruits, baker's spice, and earth lifted by a delicate acidity lingering into the long finish of spiced cherry, vanilla, and pipe tobacco.

# 2018 BELLA VIDA VINEYARD Pinot Noir

# FULLERTON FULLERTON BELLA VIDA VINEYARD Pinot Noir 2018 Dundee Hills, Oregon

Varietal	100% Pinot Noir
Appellation	Dundee Hills
Clones	Dijon 113, 667, 777
Alcohol	14.0%
рН	3.58
ТА	5.6 g/L
Brix at Harvest	24.I
Aging Regime	28% new French oak
Drinking Window	Drink now through 2030
Cases Produced	175

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