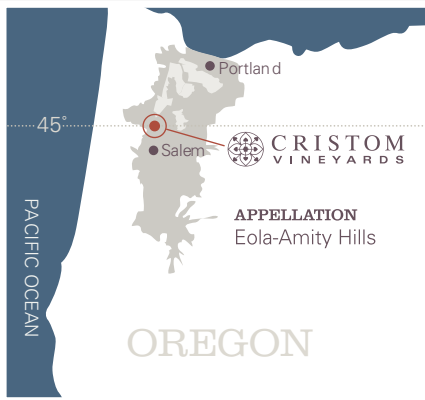




2019 Eileen Vineyard Pinot Noir



Eileen Vineyard, named after co-founder Eileen Gerrie, is situated at the highest elevation on the original Cristom estate rising to over 735 feet with commanding views of the Cascade Range to the east and the Oregon Coast Range to the west. Perched at the crest of the Eola Hills, Eileen Vineyard is defined by the cold, Pacific Ocean winds and dramatic volcanic soil variation from ancient basalt flows. Among the most geologically complex sites on the farm and our most wind-swept vines, the fruit from Eileen can be structured, vibrant and persistent. First established in 1997, Eileen Vineyard has grown to nearly 22 acres of Pinot Noir and more than 2 acres of Chardonnay. The Chardonnay vines extend to the summit of the hill, best capturing the cold nights and fierce winds of Eileen's maritime climate allowing the vines to retain fresh acidity in the fruit.



WINEMAKING

44% whole cluster
 100% native yeast fermentations
 1-3 punch-downs daily in 1.5-5 ton open-top fermenters
 Gently pressed in a pneumatic bladder press and moved to barrel by gravity
 43% new French oak
 Undergoes a full malolactic fermentation in barrel
 Fined with egg whites, unfiltered

ALC 13.7% TA 5.3 g/L pH 3.68

CLONES Dijon (777, 115, 114), Wädenswil, Pommard

BOTTLED March 24th, 2021

PRODUCTION 749 cases

ACRES 24.36 (9.86 hectares)

ELEVATION 545 feet to 735 feet (166 m to 224 m)

SOILS Columbia River Basalts, including: Jory, Saum, Nekia, Ritner, Witzel, Yamhill

ASPECT south; southeast; east

ESTABLISHED 1997

VARIETALS Pinot Noir; Chardonnay

CLONES Pinot Noir: Pommard, Wädenswil, Mt. Eden, Swan, Calera and Dijon clones 114, 115, 777; Chardonnay: 76, 27, 107, 124, 548

FIRST VINTAGE 2000

Vintage Notes Much like 2018, the 2019 vintage was one of the driest Winters and Springs ever on record. Beginning with some of the coldest weather we've had in years and lasting through March, the vintage eventually transitioned into a relatively moderate growing season, with bud break occurring near our long-term average of the first two weeks of April, and bloom the first two weeks of June. Unusual rainfall during the summer, when we're historically experiencing drought conditions, was welcomed during such a dry year, even though it can create farming challenges. We learned a great deal from the 2018 season, the driest on record, equipping us to better preserve small berries in the clusters without desiccation. Slight rains during harvest delayed the vintage slightly, but the rewards went to those who waited out the storms until dry weather the first week of October. We ended the season with 2,450 Growing Degree days (GDD), almost our exact 25-year average of 2,475 GDD, though the season seemed more temperate with the summer and harvest rains.



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