



## 2019 Paul Gerrie Vineyard Pinot Noir

Paul Gerrie Vineyard, named for Cristom's founder, is a consistent, gentle sloping bench of deep volcanic soil just to the north of the original estate in the Eola Hills. For over 20 years Paul dreamt of acquiring the land and made the purchase shortly before his retirement in 2012 - capping his legacy with Cristom Vineyards.

With an unwavering commitment to grow estate fruit in the Eola-Amity Hills, we have been developing Paul Gerrie Vineyard since 2014 to be the cornerstone of the future of Cristom. With more than 22 acres of Pinot Noir and 6 acres of Chardonnay, Paul is now the fundamental vineyard source of our flagship wines Mt. Jefferson Cuvée Pinot Noir and Eola-Amity Hills Chardonnay. The site combines some of the greatest aspects of the Cristom estate - soils, wind, elevation and slope - into a single vineyard that represents the culmination of knowledge gained from three decades of farming in the Eola Hills.



### WINEMAKING

46% whole cluster  
 100% native yeast fermentations  
 1-3 punch-downs daily in 1-5 ton open-top fermenters  
 Gently pressed in a pneumatic bladder press and moved to barrel by gravity  
 25% new French oak  
 Undergoes a full malolactic fermentation in barrel  
 Fined with egg whites, unfiltered  
**ALC** 13.7%      **TA** 5.5 g/L      **pH** 3.67  
**CLONES** Dijon (115, 777), Pommard  
**BOTTLED** March 24th, 2021  
**PRODUCTION** 201 cases

**ACRES** 28.86 (11.68 hectares)

**ELEVATION** 540 feet to 800 feet (165 m to 244 m)

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

**ASPECT** southeast; east

**ESTABLISHED** 2014

**VARIETALS** Pinot Noir; Chardonnay; Gamay

**CLONES** Pinot Noir: Pommard and Dijon clones 113, 114, 115, 667, 777; Chardonnay: 76, 95, 96 and Seven Springs

**FIRST VINTAGE** 2016

**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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