



Siduri, named for the Babylonian goddess of wine, specializes in cool-climate Pinot Noir from growing regions across California and Oregon. Winemaker Adam Lee's constant pursuit of Pinot perfection has led to long-standing relationships with top growers in premier appellations from Oregon's Willamette Valley to California's Santa Barbara County.



2018 PINOT NOIR WILLAMETTE VALLEY

The 2018 Siduri Willamette Valley Pinot Noir once again comes from vineyards in three distinctive appellations within the Willamette Valley: Yamhill-Carlton, Chehalem Mountains, and Eola-Amity. These three areas all bring different attributes to the blend. Grapes from the cooler Chehalem Mountains AVA lend fresh acidity and bright aromatics. This Chehalem Mountain fruit, along with the richer and rounder wines from the Yamhill-Carlton and Eola-Amity areas, give us a broad range of flavors that we blend together to create a wine that is simultaneously rich and zippy—the best of all possible worlds!

VINEYARDS: Maple Grove, Gran Moraine, Hawk's View, Shaw Mountain, Arbre Vert, Zena Crown

AROMATICS: Cranberry, persimmon, bay leaf, black pepper

PALATE: Black cherry, boysenberry, cinnamon and hints of clove. Pleasantly firm tannins hold the long finish, which is highlighted by juicy acidity and spice.

ALCOHOL: 14.2% | **TA:** .58 | **PH:** 3.58

AGING: 30% new French oak for 10 months

CLONES: 114, 115, 667, 777, 828, Swan, Mt. Eden and Pommard

VINTAGE NOTES

Although the Willamette Valley experienced a warm growing season in 2018, there were few heat spikes, which resulted in beautiful fruit with lively acidity. There was also little rainfall in September and October – which can often be the harbinger of the end of harvest in the Willamette Valley. While the fruit was able to hang on the vine unscathed, harvest progressed slowly and steadily. Winemakers celebrated a particularly uneventful harvest with outstanding fruit – deep color, delicate tannins and expressive fruit – all the hallmarks of an outstanding vintage.

WINEMAKING NOTES

The 2018 Willamette Valley Pinot Noir is comprised of six vineyards – Maple Grove, Gran Moraine, Hawk's View, Shaw Mountain, Arbre Vert, and Zena Crown. Given the beautiful 2018 vintage, each of these vineyards provided its finest expression of its respective region. Whole cluster fermentations (35%) used on selected blocks with ripe stems added layers of spice and pleasant tannin that framed the ample fruit delicately. The Willamette Valley has recently enjoyed a string of outstanding vintages, and the 2018 Willamette Valley Pinot Noir may be our finest yet. The winemaking team had fun blending this wine and we hope that you have just as much fun drinking it!