

Le Cadeau Vineyard Pinot Noir

2019 | OREGON



37.5% clone 777

25% clone 667

12.5% clone 113

12.5% Mt. Eden clone

12.5% Pommard clone

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TECHNICAL INFORMATION

pH: 3.64

Titrateable Acidity: 5.0 g/liter

Residual Sugar: <0.1 g/liter

Volatile Acidity: 0.5 g/liter

Alcohol: 12.6%

130 cases produced



Harvest and Winemaking

Le Cadeau Vineyard was planted in 1999 on Parrett Mountain in the Chehalem Mountains of the Willamette Valley by Tom and Deb Mortimer. Tom and I met at a wine tasting in Walla Walla in 2014 and we hit it off. Isenhower Cellars has made Cabernet Sauvignon for Tom since 2014. In 2019 Isenhower Cellars took the leap and made Pinot Noir from Le Cadeau Vineyard.

Le Cadeau has a myriad of clones, rootstock, and soil types. The Mortimer's are trying to optimize the interaction between soil, rootstock, and Pinot Noir clone to produce unique and delicious wines.

2019 was an interesting vintage. The summer was perfect with moderate heat, no temperature spikes and fortunately was cooler than normal. Five inches of rain hit the vineyard in the Willamette Valley during September. In mid-October Washington had a few nights of freezing temps which defoliated the vines and stopped photosynthesis and grape ripening.

Two tons of Pinot Noir was picked on September 30, 2019, and we destemmed 63% of the cluster, adding the remaining 37% of the clusters without destemming. September 2019 dumped 5 inches of rain on the Willamette

Valley and the resulting wines are very Burgundian in style with high perfume aromas and ethereal texture.

The Pinot was fermented by two yeasts specific for Pinot Noir to dryness prior to pressing. The Pinot was aged in 100% French oak (42% new) for 16 months without racking and bottled unfined and unfiltered.

Tasting Notes

Medium red hue. Beautiful and sexy aromas of pomegranate, Rainer cherry, red roses, and wet forest with hints of fresh oak and sassafras leaves. The flavors mirror the aromas with notes of red fruit, blueberry, and a hint of tomato leaf. The acidity is very pretty, the tannins are light, but the finish lingers. A hint of creamy texture pervades the whole tasting experience. The first Le Cadeau Pinot Noir from Isenhower Cellars is Burgundian in style and a wine we hope you all will enjoy!

Ingredients & Additions:

Pinot Noir grapes, yeast, organic yeast nutrients, tartaric and lactic acid, oak, and 35 mg/l of SO2.

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