

2016 PINOT NOIR JUSTICE VINEYARD



Wine Specs

Vintage 2016

Varietal Pinot Noir

Appellation Eola-Amity Hills

Vineyard Designation Justice Vineyard

Aging Up to 8 Years

Residual Sugar 0

Alcohol % 14.2

WINE PROFILE

Vineyard Notes

Justice Vineyard is located just over the east ridge of the Eola-Amity Hills just south of Bethel Heights Winery. Planted in 2001 at 500' in elevation on a southeast slope of thin volcanic soil, the vineyard faces the Cascade Mountains. These grapes come from a 2.33 acre block in the NW corner of the vineyard that is LIVE certified (Sustainable). It is a state-of-the-art, vertical canopy, high density planting of Pinot noir clone 777 and is farmed by one of Oregon's best grapegrowers, Ted Casteel. Our first vintage was 2004.

Winemaker Notes

Vintage Notes: 2016 was the third in a string of warm summers and early harvests. It produced the smallest crop of the three. The harvest began with a bit of heat and dehydration in the fruit. This immediately resolved with cooler temperatures and the rest of the harvest produced well balanced fruit with lovely flavors and ripe tannins. We finished picking at the end of September, producing a total of 10,200 cases. In general 2016 produced lush, early-drinking wines with lovely aromatics and accessible fruit, spice and floral notes. They can be aged and are quite approachable in their youth.