

## 2023 VINTAGE

A return to normal. The 2023 vintage displayed a wonderfully relative normalcy, albeit a bit warm. The season started a little slowly, with cool spring temperatures, but by mid-May we were seeing 80's and robust shoot growth, preparing us for a consistent, "normal" bloom. Vineyard vigor, growth, and ripening were strong all summer, leading to an early (for us) harvest that commenced on September 21st and ended on October 7th. Yields were right on target with very low disease pressure throughout the growing season, allowing for perfect organically farmed fruit at harvest. Quality was good to exceptional, with our wines showing early maturity in barrel, and *that's* the "normal" we like to see.

#### **Key Information**

Vineyard: Coeur de Terre Vineyard Alcohol: 13.5% AVAs: McMinnville SRP: \$26.00 Case Production: 2916 Varietal: 100% Estate Pinot Noir

## **VINEYARD NOTES**

For our "Oregon Pinot Noir" we utilize fruit from our own estate vineyard, using a selection from Renelle's Block, Sarah Jane's Block, Abby's Block, and Tallulah's Run, along with fruit from our neighbor's King Vineyard, which we farm and manage.

Coeur de Terre's "Oregon Pinot Noir" bottling makes use of vibrant fruit from younger vines combined with more mature fruit from Renelle's Block for structure and balance, with an eye to creating a wine that is forward and ready to drink upon its release.

Fruit includes Pommard, Wädenswil, 113, 114, 155, 667, 777, and Coury clones of Pinot Noir. The soil origins range from Sedimentary, Metamorphic and Volcanic origins.

### **TASTING NOTES**

Dark earth dominates the nose of the 2023 OPN upon opening the bottle, gradually blossoming into notes of pomegranate and spice. On the palate, a burst of fresh blue/black berry and cherry is a delightful counterpoint. The saturated garnet color of the wine is endemic to Pinot Noirs from CdT. This wine will delight with its accessibility - soft tannins, beautiful fruit, and lingering finish.

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