



# 2023 VINTAGE

The 2023 vintage in the Willamette Valley is set to produce some wonderful wines, as it looks to mirror the exceptional 2021 vintage. Spring started off cool in the McMinnville AVA with a later bud break. Summer was generally warm and quite dry. A key difference from previous years was the absence of any significant heat spikes. In 2023, temperatures cooled off in late August and early September allowing for a longer ripening season. This allowed our grapes to hang and develop complex flavors on the vine while still retaining fresh acidity. The 2023 wines are showing wonderful concentration and life. Winemaker/owner Scott Neal is quite happy with the 2023 vintage.

#### VINEYARD

The Héritage Reserve Estate Pinot Noir is made from a barrel selection of the oldest blocks on property—the "heritage blocks", including Renelle's Block, Sarah Jane's Block, Abby's Block, and Tallulah's Run. Our vineyard is nestled in the Coastal Foothills of the McMinnville AVA, in a secluded and protected valley that allows for the perfect combination of ripeness and vibrancy in our wines. This wine is meant to represent the spirit of the vintage from our estate. All CdT Vineyard blocks have been farmed organically from inception.

## TECHNICAL

Harvest Date: Oct 2 — Oct 5 SRP: \$42.00

Brix @ Harvest: ~23.2 avg Alcohol %: 13.8

Tons per Acre: 2.01 Finished pH: 3.62

Cases Produced: 468 Finished TA: 5.6

#### HÉRITAGE RESERVE

**ESTATE PINOT NOIR** 

McMinnville AVA

WILLAMETTE VALLEY, OREGON

2023

## TASTING NOTES

The Héritage Reserve is meant to capture the expression of the oldest vines on our beautiful estate vineyard. In the glass, the 2023 is a very pretty wine with excellent aging potential—this is classic Oregon Pinot Noir. Delicate black fruit and cola notes show depth buoyed by bright earthy tones on the nose, reflective of the McMinnville AVA within Oregon's larger Willamette Valley. As it opens up, warm spices come forward with coriander, cardamom and Indian sweet spices taking center stage. Blackberry and wild black cherry fruit blend nicely on the palate lofted by fine tannins. Mid-palate reveals bright notes and earthiness in perfect balance, contributing to a long and rich finish.