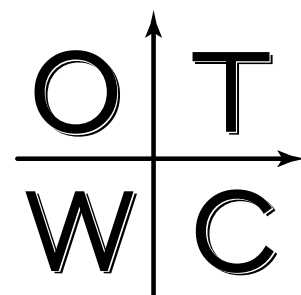


[2015 WILLAMETTE VALLEY PINOT NOIR]



BRAND STORY

IN THE 1830S, RUGGED EXPLORERS TRAVELED WEST ON THE OREGON TRAIL. AFTER MONTHS OF TREACHEROUS VOYAGING, THEY WERE REWARDED WITH THE FERTILE HILLS OF THE WILLAMETTE VALLEY – THE GEOLOGICAL HISTORY OF THE LAND REVEALS RICH DEPOSITS OF MARINE SEDIMENT AND VOLCANIC SOIL. VITICULTURE WAS A NATURAL FIT FOR THE LAND, EARNING INTERNATIONAL ACCLAIM AS EARLY AS 1904. TODAY, THE SPIRIT OF THESE EXPLORERS LIVES ON IN OREGON TRAILS WINE CO.

VINEYARDS

RENOWNED AS A WORLD CLASS PINOT NOIR REGION, THE WILLAMETTE VALLEY HAS SUPPORTED VINES SINCE THE 1840S. THE GEOLOGY BRINGS UNPARALLELED FERTILITY TO THESE VINES (INUNDATED WITH FLOODS APPROX. 15,000 YEARS AGO) AS WELL AS THE COOL CLIMATE DESIRED BY THESE GRAPES. SUSTAINABLE FARMING PRACTICES HELP EXPRESS THIS TERROIR.

WINEMAKING:

AFTER A STELLAR VINTAGE 2014, WINEMAKERS REJOICED OVER THE “TWIN” 2015 GROWING SEASON. OREGON WAS AGAIN GRACED WITH NEAR PERFECT CONDITIONS, PRODUCING HIGH YIELDS AND EXCEPTIONAL QUALITY. HARVEST BEGAN IN LATE AUGUST – THE EARLIEST HARVEST IN HISTORY OF THE REGION – DUE TO A HOT, DRY GROWING SEASON. SEPTEMBER RAIN AND COOL TEMPERATURES REFRESHED VINES AND REMOVED THE PRESSURE OF OVER-RIPENING.

TASTING NOTES

A DEEP, GARNET WINE FILLS THE GLASS. AROMAS OF CRANBERRY, RED CURRANT, AND TART CHERRY LAYER TOGETHER, COMPLEMENTED BY A HINT OF EARTH AND SPICE. ON THE PALATE, THIS MEDIUM BODIED WINE SHOWS BRIGHT NOTES OF RASPBERRY AND STRAWBERRY, FOLLOWED BY BAKING SPICES, EARTHINESS, AND AN ADDITIONAL NOTE OF TART CHERRY RETURNING ON THE FINISH. STRUCTURED AND WELL-BALANCED, THIS WINE IS EXPRESSIVE OF THE REGION AND THE VINTAGE.

TASTING NOTES

VINTAGE: 2015 ALCOHOL: 14.4% BY VOL.
PH: 3.49 TOTAL ACIDITY: 5.8G/L



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