



LES COTEAUX ESTATE PINOT NOIR 2018

Les Coteaux means ‘the hills’ in French which represents both hillsides of our estate vineyards: the Résonance Vineyard and our Découverte Vineyard, both in the Willamette Valley. Organically dry-farmed, this dual estate vineyard blend shows the elegance and complexity coming from the soils and climate found at these neighboring sites. The result offers an original expression of the region’s terroir.

VINTAGE NOTES

2018 is an exceptional vintage with harmonious wines! Following a cold winter, the beginning of Spring was rainy, particularly the month of April. The mildew pressure was high. However, from May the growing season was ideal, sunny and dry, without rain. The bloom was accomplished with perfect weather conditions. July and August were some of the warmest and driest on record, but without the heat spikes of 2016 and 2017. At the beginning of September, the vines were really stressed. But from mid-September, two weeks of cool nights, following a few days of rain, helped the end of the maturation and allowed grapes to develop a complex aromatic profile and to retain a nice acidity. And gave us a perfect weather for the harvest from September 18th, to the beginning of October.

TASTING NOTES

The wine reflects a bright ruby color. The nose is intense and complex, with notes of cherry, blackberry, raspberry, violet, licorice, black pepper and noble wood. The palate expresses a harmony between the elegance of Découverte Vineyard (Dundee Hills AVA) and the structure of Résonance Vineyard (Yamhill-Carlton AVA) . With a very fruity mouth, fine tannins and a vibrant acidity, Les Coteaux (Hillsides) has a long, fresh and mineral finale.

AVA:	Willamette Valley	Barrel Aging:	18 months in French oak barrels, 30% new
Harvest Dates:	September 18 – October 2, 2018	Cases Produced:	606 (6x750 ml)
Alc by Vol.:	13.8%	Date Bottled:	May 2020