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Four Graces

2016 DUNDEE HILLS RESERVE PINOT NOIR

Established in 2003, The Four Graces is committed to making rich, complex wines where the fruit may be elegantly expressed. The winery offers Pinot Noir as well as small amounts of Pinot Gris and Pinot Blanc. The wines come from 2 estate vineyards - the Foley Family Estate, formerly the Black Family Estate, Doe Ridge, and other top sites in the Willamette Valley. Highly acclaimed, The Four Graces wines are hand-crafted in small lots using traditional techniques coupled with the most modern technology in winemaking.



VINTAGE

The 2016 vintage was defined by its early start, moderate temperatures and overall high quality. The season began with a warmer than average winter which led to an early spring and bud break. Temperatures remained warm yet moderate in the summer months, with no extreme heat spikes. These conditions allowed for even ripening, balanced vines and opulent flavor development. The fruit had smaller berry size and moderate yields, with harvest occurring from September 5th - September 20th, 2016.

VINEYARD

The Dundee Hills Reserve Pinot Noir is the result of ongoing observation in the vineyard to select the best fruit from specific rows and blocks. The Foley Family Estate Vineyard which produces this wine boasts the jory soils well known for their iron-rich, fertile characteristics.

TASTING NOTES

Our 2016 Dundee Hills Reserve Pinot Noir displays a dark ruby color. Nuanced aromas of wild forest strawberries, dried rose petals and white pepper set the tone. Juicy red plum and cherry coat the palate with notes of sage highlighted in the background. Velvety soft tannins and a mild acidity add weight and balance. The bright fruit and subtle herbaciouness would pair perfectly with a garlic and rosemary crusted pork loin roast.

TECHNICAL DATA

Appellation: Dundee Hills

Vineyard Source: Foley Family Estate

Varietal Composition: 100% Pinot Noir

Aging: 9 months in 100% French Oak, 25% New

 Alcohol:
 14.5%

 pH:
 3.6

 Case Production:
 2,596

