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Four Graces

2023 DUNDEE HILLS RESERVE ROSÉ OF 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, pinot blanc and chardonnay. The wines are produced from our four estate vineyards — Foley Family Estate, Doe Ridge Estate, Weathergage Estate, Black Walnut Vineyard, and other top sites in the Willamette Valley. The Four Graces wines are hand-crafted in small lots using traditional techniques coupled with the most modern technology in winemaking.



VINTAGE

The growing season got off to a slow start in 2023 and there were concerns of a very late vintage. Unusually warm weather in April and May caused rapid vine growth, which in turn caught us up to previous vintages. Then a few heat spikes in August led to minimal sunburn and continued the warming trend of the season. The growing season of 2023 ended up being one of the warmest and earliest seasons on record. We expect high quality at The Four Graces across all of our vineyards from this vintage.

VINEYARD

The pinot noir fruit for this wine was sourced from block 4B of the Foley Family Estate Vineyard that encompasses 110 acres nestled in the Red Hills of Dundee. For the first time this year, we added 2% gamay fruit that was picked from our Weathergage Estate Vineyard in the Van Duzer Corridor AVA.

TASTING NOTES

The pinot noir for this rosé was handpicked and whole cluster pressed to preserve the delicate aromatics and light pink color. The contribution from the neutral French oak adds weight and length to the palate and also allows contact with the lees for a creamy texture. Aromas of fresh wild strawberry and stone fruits set the tone for this delightful rosé. The palate shows bright notes of grapefruit and strawberry that lead into a soft minerality. A lively acidity accents the ripe fruit flavors and carries the wine into a crisp finish.

TECHNICAL DATA

Appellation:	Dundee Hills & Van Duzer Corridor
Vineyard Source:	Foley Family Estate Vineyards, Block 4B, Clone 115; Weathergage Estate Vineyards, Block 16, Gamay Noir Clone 358
Varietal Composition:	98% Pinot Noir, 2% Gamay
Aging:	100% Stainless Steel
Alcohol:	13.5%
RS:	0.40%
pH:	3.13
TA:	6.3 g/L
Case production:	500