



TA: 0.62 gm/100mL

ALCOHOL: 13.5%

BLEND: Pinot Noir.

CASE PRODUCTION:

188

## **EOLA-AMITY HILLS**

# 2018 Willakia Vineyard Pinot Noir

### VINTAGE NOTES

- Summer temperatures soared 8-10 degrees above normal and precipitation was one of the lowest on record.
- The excessive heat and dryness stressed the vines to the point that they slowed their metabolism to conserve water, effectively negating that early season 7-10 day head start.
- September cooled down, and with a few light precipitation events, the vines returned to a state of incredible balance. This was truly an excellent vintage.

## VINEYARD NOTES

- Erath's 119-acre Vineyard is located in the Eola-Amity Hills. The region benefits from the temperature-moderating Van Duzer Corridor.
- The vineyard is divided into small blocks with diverse clones and rootstocks based on the slopes and orientations of the vineyards.
- To date the vineyard is planted with 98 acres of Pinot Noir and 21 acres of Chardonnay.

#### WINEMAKING NOTES

• Barrel aging was 15 months, 100% French, 30% new.

#### TASTING NOTES

Lovely aromas of Marionberry, black plum, Mission fig and bergamot unite with pure black cherry and dark plum flavors. Plush tannin with zesty acidity provide the finishing touches to this sensory tapestry that can only be described as "YUM".