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Four Graces

2019 WINDBORN PINOT NOIR
WEATHERGAGE ESTATE VINEYARD VAN DUZER CORRIDOR

Established in 2003, The Four Graces is committed to making rich, complex wines where the fruit may be elegantly expressed. Our Windborn Pinot Noir is one of four featured wines in our Reserve Graces tier: our Four Graces. “Windborn” is named for the region where the grapes for this wine are grown in the wind-whipped Weathergage Estate Vineyards in the Van Duzer Corridor AVA. Consistent high wind speeds from the Pacific Ocean flow down the Van Duzer Corridor wind gap through the natural break in the Oregon Coast Range to the east end where our vineyard is located in low elevation rolling hills. Each “Grace” in this series highlights the climate, land and fruit characteristics of our individual estate vineyards. —Tim Jones, Winemaker



VINTAGE

The Van Duzer Corridor appellation in Willamette Valley experienced a mild winter and early spring. Our vineyards had a few frost events during bud break in April, but damage to the vines was minimal. The growing season was marked by a combination of warm weather and heavy precipitation in late June and early July. Steady rains in September and cool weather in October resulted in fruit hanging longer on the vine and made it more difficult to determine when to pick. The Weathergage Estate Vineyard is one of the last to ripen, but we were rewarded with lovely and expressive fruit.

VINEYARD

All fruit for the Windborn Pinot Noir is sourced from our Weathergage Estate. On this property we continue to execute our sustainable winemaking practices. In addition to sustainable farming, the vineyard is LIVE certified.

TASTING NOTES

Our 2019 Windborn Pinot Noir is deep and dark with shades of mahogany and garnet. On the nose, earthy aromas are complemented by hints of violet and chocolate. The palate delivers a dense yet silky texture with lush layers of plum and dark chocolate finishing with firm, mouth-coating tannins. This wine will age beautifully for several years to come, but can be enjoyed now after decanting.

TECHNICAL DATA

Appellation:	Van Duzer Corridor
Vineyard Source:	Weathergage Estate
Varietal Composition:	100% Pinot Noir; Clones Pommard and 943
Aging:	17 months in 33% new French oak barrels
Alcohol:	14.1%
pH:	3.35
Case production:	71