



GOTHIC
NEVERMORE®

Pinot Noir

WILLAMETTE VALLEY, OREGON

Gothic 'Nevermore' Pinot Noir 2016

Quoth The Raven, 'Nevermore.'

Nevermore Pinot Noir reflects the unique qualities of the Willamette Valley as a whole, rather than focusing on individual vineyard sites. Blending fruit from several sites within the valley allows us to draw upon the finest qualities of each region and vineyard, yielding a wine of depth and character.

The 2016 Vintage

We harvested our sites at a leisurely pace throughout an ideal September, picking our warmer, earlier ripening sites as early as September 3rd, and finishing up with our cooler, higher elevation sites on September 30th. The wine is indicative of not only a fantastic growing season, but a mix of soil types and sites throughout the Valley. The AVA's of Chehalem Mountains, McMinnville and Yamhill-Carlton are all represented in our 2016 Nevermore. Soils range in type from volcanic to sedimentary, and elevations from 300-800 feet.

Vinification Method

We harvested our fruit throughout Yamhill-Carlton and Dundee. Following a two-day cold soak and primary fermentation, the wine was settled, racked to barrel and aged for 11 months in French oak (15% new) from a variety of coopers. Malolactic fermentation occurred naturally in barrel. At Gothic, we continue to support biodynamic farming practices. Roughly 25% of fruit used in our 2016 Nevermore was grown in a biodynamically farmed vineyard in Yamhill-Carlton.

Tasting Notes

The fruit and aromatic profile of lean dark red, ranging from black cherry and black raspberry to blackberry. A small percentage of new oak (about 15%) provides a touch of sandalwood and black licorice, easily carried and balanced by the luscious, ripe fruit. All fruit was destemmed prior to fermentation.

We hope you enjoy our 2016 Nevermore as much as we do- while many in the Valley feel that 2014 may have been the 'best' vintage in the past decade, we feel 2016 may have provided the wines most drinkable in their youth and downright crushable.

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