



trisaetum

2015 RIBBON RIDGE ESTATE PINOT NOIR

TRISAETUM STORY

In 2003, Andrea and James Frey founded Trisaetum in one of the few places where climate, soil, and entrepreneurial spirit combine to produce some of the world's best wines. Today, the family owned and operated winery in the heart of Oregon's Ribbon Ridge AVA produces small lots of acclaimed Pinot Noir, Riesling, and Chardonnay from its three estate vineyards.

WINEMAKER'S NOTES

100% Estate fruit from our vineyard in the heart of the Ribbon Ridge AVA. The Ribbon Ridge Estate always seems to produce the wines with the greatest concentration and density, and this vintage is no exception. Subtle notes of blackberry, dried mushroom and sage leaves, complement the rich aromatic profile. The persistent flavors of spice and plum give way to a silken texture. A surprising lift of citrus peel on the finish keeps the palate refreshing; savor over the next 10-12 years.

VINTAGE & WINEMAKING

The 2015 vintage started very early, with bud break in mid-March, and progressed through a warm, dry growing season. Late August rains, which helped refresh the vineyard, were followed by a cool and dry September that allowed for a long and quite pleasant harvest. Pinot Noir was picked starting on September 3rd on the Ribbon Ridge Estate, and finally concluded on September 28th when the last of our fruit from the Coast Range made its way to the winery. James opted for more native indigenous yeast ferments in 2015, as well as more whole-cluster ferments than previous vintages. The wines were aged in a mixture of new and neutral French oak barrels from the forests of Nevers, Allier, Limousin and Tronçais.

ESTATE VINEYARD

Ribbon Ridge Estate (Ribbon Ridge AVA) This 83-acre site has 22 acres planted to vine; located in the heart of Ribbon Ridge and is home to our winery. The estate is sustainably and dry-farmed in an attempt to carefully manage our vineyards so that we are able to achieve a concentration of flavors and an expression of place in our wines. 17 acres of Pinot Noir are planted in the unique Willakenzie soil series on a bedrock of high quartz marine sedimentary soils that make up the smallest AVA in Oregon.



APPELLATION:
Ribbon Ridge AVA

SOIL:
Willakenzie soil series on a bedrock of high-quartz marine sandstone

CLONAL SELECTION:
Pommard, Wadensvil, Dijon 777, 667, 115, & Coury

COOPERAGES:
100% French oak barrels from eight coopers, selected for tightness of grain, low tannin & light toast levels, allowing the fruit profile to shine.

HARVEST DATES:
September 3rd - 28th, 2015

BOTTLING DATE:
August 2016

PRODUCTION:
468 cases produced

RELEASE DATE:
October 2017

ACCOLADES:
2015 - 94 points, Wine Enthusiast
2015 - 94 points, Vinous
2015 - 93 points, Int'l Wine Report
2015 - 91 points, Wine Spectator
2014 - 94 points, Wine Enthusiast
2014 - 92 points, Wine Spectator

James Frey, Winemaker/Proprietor