



trisaetum

2016 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 2016 Ribbon Ridge Estate Pinot Noir is rich and complex with aromas of black cherries, baking spices, plum and dried lavender. The palate offers classic Ribbon Ridge notes of darker fruits and exotic spice, with layers of black currant, licorice, cinnamon and wild berries surrounded by vibrant acidity, supple texture, and deep, rich tannins carry these flavors through to the lengthy finish. Enjoy this wine early to highlight the luscious fruit, or hold for the next 10-15 years to savor the complex layers of fruit and spice.

VINTAGE & WINEMAKING

The 2016 vintage started very early, with bud break at the end of March, and progressed through a warm, dry growing season. Pinot Noir was picked starting on August 30th on the Ribbon Ridge Estate, and finally concluded on September 22nd when the last of our fruit from the Coast Range made its way to the winery. Given the warm, dry vintage, James opted to start all ferments with native indigenous yeast in 2016, 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:
Predominantly marine sediments of high-quartz sandstone and weathered bedrock: Bellpine, Sitton, Wellsdale and Dupee of the Willakenzie series.

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:
August 30th - September 22nd, 2016

BOTTLING DATE: August 2017

PRODUCTION: 302 cases produced

RELEASE DATE: Spring 2018

ABV: 13.5%

ACCOLADES:
2016 - 92 points, Int'l Wine Report
2016 - 91 points, Wine Spectator
2015 - 94 points, Wine Enthusiast
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2014 - 94 points, Wine Enthusiast

James Frey, Winemaker/Proprietor