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## 2017 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, Chardonnay, and Sparkling wines from its three estate vineyards.

### WINEMAKER'S NOTES

Aromas of black currants, potpourri, baking spices and violets. Palate of bright cranberries, plum and exotic spices with deep, rich tannins that round out the vibrant acidity and allow the luscious fruit to shine through to the finish. Enjoy this age-worthy, spice driven Pinot Noir over the next 15 years.

### VINTAGE & WINEMAKING

The 2017 vintage started slightly early, with bud break at the beginning of April, and progressed through a warm, dry growing season. Pinot Noir was picked starting September 13 on the Ribbon Ridge Estate, and concluded on October 10 when the last of our fruit from the Coast Range made its way to the winery. More than 25 days between the first pick and the last pick is always a good sign. Given the warm, dry vintage, James opted to start all ferments with native indigenous yeast and employed whole-cluster fermentations fifty percent of the time.

### ESTATE VINEYARD

Ribbon Ridge Estate (Ribbon Ridge AVA) This 46-acre site has 17 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. 12 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, & Coury

**COOPERAGES:**  
20% new French oak barrels selected for tightness of grain, low tannin & light toast levels.

**HARVEST DATES:** September 13th - October 10th, 2019

**BOTTLING DATE:** January 2019

**PRODUCTION:** 302 cases produced

**RELEASE DATE:** Spring 2019

**ABV:** 13.8%

**ACCOLADES:**  
2017 - Not yet rated  
2016 - 93 points, Wine Enthusiast  
2016 - 92 points, Int'l Wine Report  
2015 - 94 points, Wine Enthusiast  
2015 - 94 points, Vinous

James Frey, Winemaker/Proprietor