

2017 ZENA CROWN VINEYARD PINOT NOIR

VINEYARD

Zena Crown Vineyard is located towards the southern end of the Eola-Amity Hills AVA, home to many of Oregon's finest Pinot Noir vineyards. During the growing season, ocean breezes push through the Van Duzer Corridor in the Coastal Range maintaining a consistently cool climate. This climate, combined with the shallow, well-drained volcanic soils of the Jory and Nekia series that dominate the AVA, are the primary reasons the Eola-Amity Hills AVA is emerging as one of the world's most exciting winegrowing regions. We source from select blocks across the vineyard, picking primarily clonal selections of 667, 114, 777, and Pommard.



AVA	PLANTED	SOIL	ELEVATION	CERTIFICATIONS	CLONES
Eola-Amity Hills	2003-2005	Jory & Nekia	Approx 450ft	LIVE, Salmon Safe	667, 114, 777, Pommard

2017 VINTAGE

The vintage was marked by a normal bud break in mid-April followed by a cooling trend that lengthened flowering and led to beautiful fruit set. We saw higher temperature fluctuations in July/August, followed by cooler weather that extended ripening allowing grapes to reach maturity with balanced acids and exceptional flavor development. A classic, well-structured vintage meant for cellaring.

TASTING NOTES

Cranberry reduction, spiced barrel, and caramelized brown sugar mix with peppered spice of whole cluster. An initial hit of sweetness with notes of black cherry and blueberry are followed with density and length, closing with a savory finish.

ALCOHOL	BRIX	HARVESTED	TA	PH	AGING	CASES
14.6%	24.7	Sept 8 – Oct 15, 2017	4.60 g/L	3.73	10 months in 35% new French Oak	816

ACCLAIM

- 92 Points - Josh Reynolds, *Vinous*, August 2020
- 94 Points - Tim Fish, *Wine Spectator*, November 2019
- 93 Points – Erin Brooks, *Robert Parker Wine Advocate*, April 2020