



WILLAKENZIE ESTATE

2018 TERRES BASSES PINOT NOIR

YAMHILL-CARLTON | ESTATE GROWN

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WillaKenzie Estate is located in the Yamhill-Carlton AVA in the Northern Willamette Valley, Oregon. The winery was established in 1991 by Bernard Lacroute, who was inspired by the Estate's dynamic rolling hills that reminded him of his Burgundian roots. The Estate is named for the marine sedimentary soil series on which the vineyard is planted, in keeping with tradition that great wines reflect a true sense of place. WillaKenzie remains committed to its sustainable practices by preserving the biodiversity of the land and is Oregon's first LIVE certified winery (#001).

TERRES BASSES

Terres Basses in French means 'low lands' and that is precisely where it is located on our Estate. Due to its low elevation and unique terroir, Terres Basses encourages early ripening and produces small berries with thick skins. Unlike the rest of our Estate, the grapevines in Terres Basses perch in clay soil called Hazelair, which result in a wine that is very dark, rich, and powerful.

VINTAGE NOTES

In 2018, warm springtime temperatures led to early bud break and flowering periods in the spring and summer. The final stages of the growing season were exceptionally dry leading to intense flavor development.

VITICULTURE & WINEMAKING

Grapes were harvested and sorted by hand on September 24th, 2018. The grapes were fermented on their skins for approximately three weeks with daily punch downs before being transferred to French oak barrels. 🍇

ALCOHOL: 14.5%

PH: 3.57 TA: 5.6 g/L

ÉLEVAGE

18 months French oak (50% new)

CLONE

100% Dijon 115

SUSTAINABILITY

- LIVE-Certified
- Salmon-Safe

TASTING NOTES

Notes of blueberry, lavender, herbal tea and subtle hint of forest floor. Rich and juicy, with great presence of flavor. Refined, ever-so-slightly dusty tannins support a lengthy finish as the wine ends with a slight note of chocolate flavor.

PRODUCTION

294 cases

SRP

\$75