



## WILLAKENZIE ESTATE

### 2020 ESTATE PINOT BLANC

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).

#### ESTATE PINOT BLANC

Originally planted in 1992, our Pinot Blanc is located on a beautiful, gently south facing exposure on the north ridge of the WillaKenzie Estate. This part of the Estate is fairly cool, with superb exposure and deep, well-drained soils. As a result, these mature and well-balanced grapevines create a stunning expression of this classic Alsatian varietal that thrives in the Willamette Valley.

#### VINTAGE NOTES

After a mild and dry winter, the 2020 growing season started cool with budbreak occurring in mid-April. Late spring temperatures were a mixture of warm and cool conditions, as well as wet periods during flowering. As a result, fruit set and yields were low in the Willamette Valley. Heat accumulation was moderate during the summer, resulting in wines with great flavor intensity and refreshing acidity.

#### VITICULTURE & WINEMAKING

Grapes were hand harvested and promptly pressed on September 28th, 2020. After settling overnight, the juice was gently racked and began a long, cool fermentation stainless steel. The wine continued to live in stainless steel on its fermentation lees for 8 months prior to bottling. 🌿

ALCOHOL: 13.7%

PH: 2.96 TA: 10.4 g/L

#### ÉLEVAGE

Aged in stainless steel for 8 months

#### COMPOSITION

100% Pinot Blanc

#### CLONE

Dijon 667, 114

#### SUSTAINABILITY

- LIVE Certified
- Salmon-Safe

#### TASTING NOTES

Aromas of kumquat, key lime, and Kaffir lime carry over to a palate with subtle, yeast-derived flavors of fresh hazelnuts and puff pastry. Remarkably ample, this wine has plenty of richness to swaddle the electric through line of acidity.

#### PRODUCTION

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