
Wine Club Selection

Fall 2021



2020 ESTATE / Pinot Noir

AVA: Ribbon Ridge, Marine Sedimentary Soil

PRODUCTION: 660 cases

ALCOHOL: 14.1%

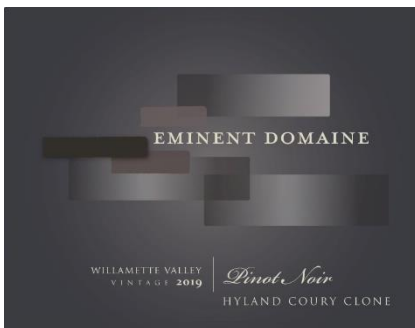
CLUB PRICE: \$44

Our 2020 *Estate* bottling is even better than expected! We realize we're up against a common belief that the whole vintage in our area was a bust.

Unfortunately, many in our industry couldn't pursue a vintage at all in 2020 due to devastation caused by fire and smoke damage.

Despite the risk, we weren't ready to raise a white flag before we even started. Letting the fruit hang through the rains that followed, we picked in early October. We held our breath, tasting and testing over and over throughout each step of fermentation to assess the situation, and were relieved afterward to find the wines taste and test clean and beautiful. We know how lucky we are that the *Estate* vineyard was not affected by the local fires and hope you'll agree that our 2020 bottlings are something to be confident in and proud of again this year.

Upon first opening, this bottling reads as spicy, with notes of cinnamon and fresh cracked pepper on the nose. On the palate look for fruity plum tones, tart cherry and a beautiful structure that lingers beautifully. This bottling continues to express the features we love most about our Estate and AVA, dark berry notes, an earthy backbone and a silky texture we so love.



2019 HYLAND COURY CLONE / Pinot Noir

AVA: McMinnville, Volcanic Soil

VINEYARD: Hyland Estate Vineyard

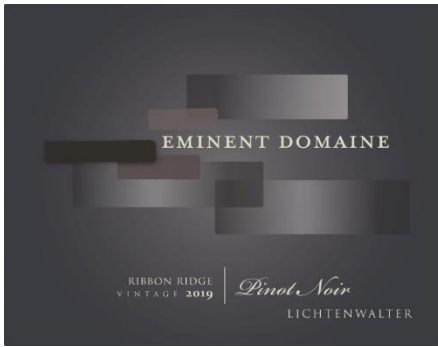
PRODUCTION: 175 cases

ALCOHOL: 14.3%

CLUB PRICE: \$44

The *Hyland Coury Clone* is consistently a favorite bottling of ours with its distinctive herbal nose that evolves into floral aromatics. Sourced from one of the oldest blocks of vines in the Willamette Valley, planted in 1972, the combination of the mild summer in 2019 and the old-world clone make for a beautifully structured wine that is enjoyable now but designed to cellar well.

This is a spice driven (versus fruit driven) wine that evolves beautifully in the glass. It starts off as savory on the nose and palate but give it a moment and you will see woody notes and a beautiful floral finish. It is this dynamic, evolving wine that continually brings us back to analyze and savor.



2019 LICHTENWALTER VINEYARD WADENSIVIL CLONE / Pinot Noir

AVA: Ribbon Ridge, Marine Sedimentary Soil

VINEYARD: Lichtenwaller Vineyard

PRODUCTION: 100 cases

ALCOHOL: 14 %

CLUB PRICE: \$48

Made from 100% Wadensvil pinot noir clone, this bottling is, as our winemaker Drew Voit said: "*As good as Mike Lichtenwaller is nice!*" (It's true- Mike is absolutely wonderful and so is this wine!) The vineyard is located approximately two and a half miles down the road from our Estate on Ribbon Ridge. It is a cool site, sheltered from the winds but with a beautiful exposure to early eastern sunshine. Our first, but certainly not the last bottling from the vineyard of our Ribbon Ridge friend and neighbor. Sadly, we only made 100 cases, so allocations are limited.

This wine was particularly aromatic from the start. On the nose look for ripe peach notes, not typically found in pinot noir tasting notes but typical of this early ripening Swiss/German Wadensvil clone. Look for bright stone-fruit elements on the nose and on the palate. It is a plush wine, that is expressive and a joy to share.