



HARTFORD
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WARRIOR PRINCESS BLOCK

ZENA CROWN VINEYARD • OREGON PINOT NOIR

2018

VINEYARD CHARACTER

The 2018 Warrior Princess Pinot Noir is sourced from the Eola-Amity Hills in the Willamette Valley, coming from the renowned Zena Crown Vineyard. The site is situated near the Oregon ghost town of Zena, in the hills between Eola and Amity, Oregon. Our blocks are planted to several clones, including Pommard, Dijon 667 and 777.

The soils are predominantly basalt-based Jory series, which is volcanic in origin, mixed with marine sedimentary rocks and alluvial material. This soil tends to produce wines characterized by high tone blue and black fruits, with earth, allspice and tea components both in aroma and flavor. The Van Duzer corridor enables the grapes to retain great acidity during ripening, this corridor allows cool afternoon breezes to reach the Eola-Amity hills from the Pacific Ocean. This brightness in acidity is well balanced by the wine's firm tannin structure, density and weight.

TASTING NOTES

The wine has a deep ruby hue with complex aromas of Chinese five spice, sandalwood and potpourri; the framework of the wine's aromatic profile is dark blueberry, red plum and blackberry. Focused aromatics are followed by complex flavors of fresh cherry, berry liqueur, violet pastille, allspice, and juniper. Fine grain tannins shape the persistent, spiced finish.

WINE STATISTICS

Oak:	100% French oak, 30% new
Time in oak:	16 months
Yeast:	Native
Clones:	Pommard, Dijon 667, Dijon 777
Alcohol:	14.9%
TA:	5.7 g/L
pH:	3.58
Cases produced:	375



HISTORIC ACCLAIM

2018	94 points	L.P.-B, Robert Parker, <i>Wine Advocate</i> , January 2021
2017	92 points	L.P.-B, Robert Parker, <i>Wine Advocate</i> , February 2020
2016	93 points	L.P.-B, Robert Parker, <i>Wine Advocate</i> , February 2019
2015	94+ points	L.P.-B, Robert Parker, <i>Wine Advocate</i> , December 2017