

Technical Notes

2019 CANDIDE RESERVE PINOT NOIR CHEHALEM MOUNTAINS AVA

*Named for Leonard Bernstein's
Operetta, "Candide"*

Retail: \$54



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| Production: | 74 Cases | | | | |
| Clones: | 65.4% Wadenswil (Chehalem Mountains AVA) - 11-year vines 34.6% Pommard (Chehalem Mountains AVA) - 6-year vines | | | | |
| Soils: | Loess (Wadenswil) Jory (Pommard) | | | | |
| Harvest: | Oct. 5, 2019 (Wadenswil) Sept. 29, 2019 (Pommard) | | | | |
| Harvest Brix: | 22.3 (average) | | | | |
| Cooperage: | Aged 12 months in French oak (43.3% new) | | | | |
| Bottled: | Dec. 9, 2020 | Released: | Sept. 1, 2021 | | |
| Alcohol: | 12.9% | pH: | 3.44 | TA: | 7.0 g/L |

The 2019 growing season saw more typical Willamette Valley weather. After some early heat, the summer brought lower average temperatures and wetter days that carried through harvest. This resulted in a deep complexity of flavor profiles and a brighter, more acid driven vintage.

For the fourth year, we returned to Diane Nemarnik's Nemarniki Vineyard, which sits at elevations around 800 feet, in the Chehalem Mountains AVA to source the Wadenswil. This higher elevation site on wind-blown Loess soils accentuates brighter fruit flavors. For the first time, we sourced Pommard planted at 550 feet in our estate vineyard in the Chehalem Mountains AVA, with volcanic Jory soil.

The 2019 vintage was barrel-aged for 12 months in French oak. This wine showcases the richer mouthfeel and spicier characteristics of these two heritage clones of Pinot noir, made more pronounced by a cooler, wetter growing season in the Chehalem Mountains AVA.



BELLS UP
WINERY

Micro-boutique, un-domaine and always open by reservation, Bells Up Winery composes handcrafted, classically styled Oregon Pinot noir with grapes sourced primarily from our estate and other micro-growers in the northern Willamette Valley.

Established in 2013, our first wines were released Memorial Day 2015. We make approximately 500 cases annually, including a small selection of other Oregon-grown varietals.

The 9-acre estate vineyard in the Chehalem Mountains AVA, just north of Newberg, is being planted in phases. Three acres of Pommard and Clone 667 were planted spring 2014; the Willamette Valley's first planting of a 0.5-acre of Seyval Blanc in spring 2015; and 2.5 acres of Wadenswil, 113 and 943 planted in spring 2016. The first estate harvest occurred in fall 2017. In fall 2020 the Seyval Blanc block was expanded and an obscure Northern Italian varietal added in a new block.

The name "Bells Up" refers to a dramatic moment in a classical music score instructing French horn players to raise the bells of their instruments and project sound with maximum intensity. Winemaker and owner Dave Specter—a French horn player for 20+ years—calls the winery his "Bells Up" moment.

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