

# Technical Notes

## 2019 VILLANELLE

TONNELIER VINEYARD  
RESERVE PINOT NOIR  
YAMHILL-CARLTON AVA

*Named for Paul Dukas' duet for  
French Horn and Piano, "Villanelle"*

Retail: \$58  
(Fanfare Club Exclusive)



Production:	55 Cases				
Clones:	50% 115 - 19-year vines 50% 777 - 19-year vines				
Soils:	Willakenzie				
Harvest:	Sept. 28, 2019 (both clones)				
Harvest Brix:	22.8 (average)				
Cooperage:	Aged 12 months in French oak (30% new)				
Bottled:	Dec. 9, 2020	Released:	June 1, 2020		
Alcohol:	13.2%	pH:	3.60	TA:	6.2 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.

We returned once again to the 4-acre Tonnelier Vineyard micro-site in the Yamhill-Carlton AVA that we've used since our first vintage in 2013. The Dijon 115 and 777 clones are planted in Willakenzie marine sedimentary soil, rising from 460 to 520 feet in elevation.

**Villanelle is always made from 100% free-run wine.**

The resulting lighter tannic structure gives 2019 Villanelle an elegance and delicacy that speaks to its cooler, wetter vintage origins. Barrel-aged for 12 months in French oak, this silky wine has been called "the little black dress" of Bells Up's Pinot noir collection.

**Notably, the 2019 vintage marks the retirement of Tonnelier Vineyard owners Mike and Julie Slater, and of the Villanelle label.**



**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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