



VINEYARD

100% Patton Valley Estate Vineyard, Gaston, OR

pH 3.49	HARVEST DATES 9.19 - 10.10, 2017	ALCOHOL 13.7%
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Dijon Clones 115, 667, 777, Pommard

ÉLEVAGE 50% New French Oak barrels for 12 months	PRODUCTION Hand-picked, destemmed, native yeast fermented, unfinned, unfiltered
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Few things are more important to us than good stewardship of our land. The Queen Bee Pinot Noir was born from our commitment to increasing sustainability efforts in our winery and vineyard, this special blend is produced each vintage with its proceeds funding projects that support the health and vitality of our land.

The Patton Valley Vineyard is a wonderful slice of grape growing heaven, right on top of a little outcropping in the foothills of the Oregon Coast Range at an elevation of 300-500 ft. Our vineyard has ample sun, cool breezes, and slopes to every aspect with a single soil type called Laurelwood. It's your basic paradise.

We farm organically under LIVE guidelines which means our ecosystem thrives rather than fighting synthetic chemicals. As such, farming here is a lot of work. It is a hands-on approach that keeps us very busy but our vines very happy.

In the winery we are hands-off, doing as little as possible to interfere with nature's course. This approach gives our site, our fruit, and our wines the loudest voice in the room, rather than being quashed out by the processes by which they were made.

The barrels chosen for this blend are, of course, all from the Patton Valley Estate, and each has their own unique personality. The magic happens when the blends begin to come together, and the whole of the entire vineyard begins to shine.

On the nose there is cherry and earth, with a cocoa-dust quality, but very red and plummy, suggesting big structure and bright acidity. This wine is BUILT TO LAST. On the palate there are stones, tar, black pepper, smoke, flowers like lavender tea and rose petals, with hibiscus. Bold, structured, and sturdy, this wine will stick around for 5-11 years.



150 Cases Produced