



PONZI VINEYARDS

PINOT NOIR RESERVE 2016

Willamette Valley

ABOUT PONZI VINEYARDS

Dick and Nancy Ponzi helped put Oregon on the wine map, and the Ponzi family has worked continuously for over 50 years leading and innovating in the region and, in the case of Pinot Noir, across the country and indeed the world. Today winemaker Luisa Ponzi continues her work with the family of Champagne Bollinger, which acquired the estate in 2021.

THE WINE

The Pinot Noir Reserve comes primarily from estate grown fruit on Laurelwood soil in the Chehalem Mountains, including from some of Oregon's oldest vines. It is hand crafted on a boutique scale, with tremendous attention to detail. An intense wine, it has an explosive nose of sassafras, coffee, sweet plum and spice box; a full and seamless palate with baker's chocolate, blueberry.

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

VINEYARD: Fruit for the 2016 Reserve was sourced entirely from Laurelwood soils in the Chehalem Mountains AVA. Selected barrels from Ponzi's Aurora, Abetina and Avellana Vineyards comprise the majority of the blend with a few barrels from other sources.

VINTAGE: For the last three years we have been defining the new normal with early vintages in the Willamette Valley. 2016 jumped out of the gate with bud break a full 3 weeks earlier than what we are accustomed to. Flow...

ALC. BY VOL.: 14.4%

PRESS

93 WINE SPECTATOR

98 WINE ENTHUSIAST

91 WINE ADVOCATE

"The 2016 Pinot Noir Laurelwood District has a pale ruby-purple color and slowly unfolding aromas of cranberries, tangerine peel, pipe tobacco and forest floor. The medium-bodied palate is powerful and generous with concentrated fruit, grainy tannins, plenty of refreshing acidity and a long, spicy finish."

-Erin Brooks, Wine Advocate

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"ALL OREGON PINOT
IS MEASURED
AGAINST THE PONZI
YARDSTICK."

-Wine Spectator