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Technical Information

Appellation: Eola-Amity Hills AVA
Willamette Valley, Oregon

Vineyard: Fruit was sourced from Claire's south block of our 28-acre vineyard, that is situated on a primarily southwest aspect ranging from 450' - 550' elevation, with rocky Nekia volcanic soil.

100% Auxerrois

Date Picked: September 15, 2017

Vinification: The fruit was whole-cluster pressed, and the juice was racked to tank to settle for two days at 14° C. The juice was racked off solids into a stainless steel tank and inoculated with an aromatic yeast strain. After five days 20% of the juice was racked to an Acacia barrel to add aromatics and texture to the finished wine.

Bottled: Early March, 2018

Finished Wine:
Alc.13%, pH 3.27, TA 5.5 g/L

Björnson Vineyard is part of a scenic 107-acre farm, located in the heart of Oregon's Eola-Amity Hills. The vineyard is situated on volcanic soils and planted with 28 acres of wine grapes. Our mission: Care for the Land, Make Exceptional Wine, and Enjoy Life's Journey is reflected in everything we do. We are committed to generating renewable energy, farming sustainably, and making wine with minimal handling, so that each bottle fully expresses our exceptional terroir.

Auxerrois, pronounced aus ser whah, is a "sister" grape of Chardonnay and grown primarily in Alsace, Germany, and Luxembourg. Unctuous and soft in texture, a nutty, caramel mineral edge polishes off primary flavors of candied tropical fruit. Tasters with the most sensitive of palates will find that delicate tannins offer a fuzzy impression down the spine of the tongue, which adds to the perception of dimension.

This wine honors Pattie's grandmother, Viola, a strong German-American who single-parented five children during WWII, survived polio, and whose bear hug could squeeze you to pieces.



Viola & Edward Knight