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## 2016 Technical and Tasting Notes

### 2016 Winderlea Chardonnay

*Perfumed with touches of citrus, honeysuckle and white flowers, this palate boasts a silky texture highlighted by lemon cream and meringue. Tropical melon marks the entry while the finish lingers with notes of sugar and biscuits.*

**AVA:** Willamette Valley

**Vineyard:** 53% Carabella | 31% Hyland | 16% Meredith Mitchell

**Selections:** Dijon 76 | UCD 4/Wente | Dijon 95, 96

**Harvest Date:** 9.15.16 | 9.27.16 | 9.29.16

**Alcohol:** 14%

**Élevage:** 9 months in French oak barrels, 25% new French oak barrels

**Bottled:** 8.31.17

**Production:** 612 cases

**Certifications:** BCorp

**Press:** 90 Wine Enthusiast

### 2016 Winderlea Legacy Chardonnay

*One barrel of the Draper selection of Chardonnay from plantings dated back to the 70s that were grafted over to Pinot noir. Imprecise pruning has allowed for about 100 vines to continue to produce Chardonnay. The Legacy Chardonnay is a beautiful combination of caramelized lemon and almond.*

**AVA:** Dundee Hills

**Vineyard:** Winderlea

**Selections:** Draper, own rooted

**Harvest Date:** 9.5.16

**Alcohol:** 12.7%

**Élevage:** 10 months in neutral French oak barrels

**Bottled:** 8.31.17

**Production:** 20 cases

**Certifications:** Demeter Biodynamic®, BCorp

### 2016 Winderlea Vintage Sparkling Brut

*Our inaugural sparkling wine is everything we could have hoped for. The nose is abundant and generous with fresh brioche, and pear blossoms which harmonize with bright orange and lemon curd while notes of honey, toasted hazelnuts, clove, and wood spice drift in the background. The palate teems with flavors of white raspberry, white currant, quince and a touch of bramble. Cheers!*

**AVA:** Willamette Valley

**Vineyard:** 60% Chardonnay | Carabella, 40% Pinot noir | Crawford Beck Vineyard

**Selections:** Chardonnay | Dijon 76, Pinot noir | Pommard

**Harvest Date:** 8.24.16 and 8.26.16

**Alcohol:** 12.1%

**Élevage:** 7 months in neutral French oak barrels, 2 years in tirage, dosage 4g/L

**Bottled:** 6.29.19

**Production:** 186 cases

**Certifications:** BCorp





### 2016 Winderlea Meredith Mitchell Pinot blanc

*The 2016 Pinot blanc is our third release from our newest estate vineyard in the McMinnville AVA. The wine is aged and fermented in a combination of two types of vessels: neutral oak and a traditional Italian clay amphora. Showing distinct aromatics of honeydew melon, grapefruit and wet concrete, this wine is lithe and textured on the palate with creamy softness balancing bright acidity. Lime zest, pineapple and guava complement the more subtle flavors of fresh thyme and dried herbs.*

**AVA:** McMinnville

**Vineyard:** Meredith Mitchell Vineyard

**Selections:** Pinot Blanc

**Harvest Date:** 9.22.16

**Alcohol:** 12.8%

**Élevage:** 5 months in 38% clay amphora and 62% neutral French oak

**Bottled:** 3.24.17

**Production:** 205 cases

**Certifications:** LIVE and Salmon Safe, BCorp

**Press:** 91 Vinious, Editors Choice Wine Enthusiast

### 2016 Winderlea Dundee Hills Vineyards Pinot noir

*Our annual cuvée of vineyards on Worden Hill road, this Pinot noir celebrates not only the Dundee Hills, but, more specifically, our neighbors and friends surrounding the Winderlea Estate. Approachable and drinkable upon release, this Pinot is focused and bright with aromatics of raspberry, anise, and strawberry jam. The palate is seamless with ripe cherry, plum, and a hint of red curry building to a finish with focus and finesse.*

**AVA:** Dundee Hills

**Vineyard:** Winderlea | Weber | Maresh

**Selections:** Pommard, Wädenswil, Dijon 115

**Harvest Date:** 8.29.16 & 9.5.16 | 9.16.16 & 9.22.16 | 9.15.16 & 9.20.16

**Alcohol:** 13.2%

**Élevage:** 10 months in French oak barrels, 28% once used French oak barrels

**Bottled:** 8.30.17

**Production:** 719 cases

**Certifications:** BCorp

**Press:** 93 Vinious, 90 Wine Enthusiast

### 2016 Winderlea Vineyard Pinot noir

*The 2016 Winderlea is a classic example of this expressive, lush vintage. The nose opens with bright, fresh notes of cherry, blackberry, tarragon, and dusting of cedar. Truffle and orange zest come through and transition to a firm and taut palate marked by a pop of hibiscus followed by barley and clove. The structure of this wine is balanced by the silky, creamy mouthfeel and long finish.*

**AVA:** Dundee Hills

**Vineyard:** Winderlea Vineyard

**Selections:** Pommard, Dijon 114, 115, 667, 777

**Harvest Date:** 8.29.16, 8.30.16, 9.4.16, 9.5.16

**Alcohol:** 13%

**Élevage:** 13 months in French oak barrels, 21% new French oak barrels

**Bottled:** 12.14.17

**Production:** 486 cases

**Certifications:** Demeter Biodynamic®, BCorp

**Press:** 92 Cellar Select Wine Enthusiast, 92 Vinious, 91 Outstanding Burghound

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### 2016 Winderlea Legacy Pinot noir

*Sourced exclusively from original, own-rooted vines on the Winderlea Vineyard, these 1974 - 1976 plantings show what a difference vine age can make. The fruit from our oldest, most established vines was exceptionally precious in 2016. The wine seems to echo that with delicate notes and a deft, persistent character. Aromas of bay leaf, raspberry, candy cap and chanterelle mushroom, and chamomile are punctuated by orange pekoe, cinnamon, and rose. Firm but balanced tannins carry notes of strawberry and earth on a silky and intoxicating finish.*

**AVA:** Dundee Hills

**Vineyard:** Winderlea Vineyard

**Selections:** Pommard, Dijon 115 (all own rooted)

**Harvest Date:** 9.5.16

**Alcohol:** 12%

**Élevage:** 10 months in neutral French oak barrels, 25% new French oak barrels

**Bottled:** 9.1.17

**Production:** 132 cases

**Certifications:** Demeter Biodynamic®, BCorp

**Press:** 94 Wine Enthusiast

### 2016 Winderlea Imprint Pinot noir

*The only wine produced onsite at the Winderlea Estate Vineyard, the Imprint Pinot noir is made by owner Bill Sweat using old world winemaking techniques and 100% whole cluster fermentation. The 2016 Imprint continues to showcase the signature whole cluster spice that we love alongside notes of coriander, strawberry, and a hint of wasabi.*

**AVA:** Dundee Hills

**Vineyard:** Winderlea Vineyard

**Selections:** Coury and Pommard

**Harvest Date:** 9.04.16

**Alcohol:** 12%

**Élevage:** 100% whole cluster, 18 months in neutral French oak, 10% new French oak barrels

**Bottled:** 3.15.18

**Production:** 238 cases

**Certifications:** Demeter Biodynamic®, BCorp

### 2016 Winderlea Bryan Creek Vineyard Pinot noir

*2016 marks our final bottling from Adelsheim's Bryan Creek Vineyard in the Chehalem Mountains. The wine shows bountiful aromas and a lush palate. The nose opens with notes of toffee, salted caramel, and toast. These are quickly superseded by blackberry syrup, cedar and thyme. Dark, forest characters continue onto the palate where they are joined by a hint of capsicum and spearmint and are rounded out by sweet espresso, chocolate covered cherries and a round, full mouthfeel. (Note, this beautiful old vineyard will be going through re-planting over the next several years and fruit will no longer be available to Winderlea.)*

**AVA:** Chehalem Mountains

**Vineyard:** Bryan Creek Vineyard

**Selections:** Pommard, own rooted

**Harvest Date:** 9.16.16

**Alcohol:** 14.5%

**Élevage:** 10 months in French oak barrels, 32% new French oak barrels

**Bottled:** 8.31.17

**Production:** 142 cases

**Certifications:** LIVE and Salmon Safe (vineyard farmed Biodynamic), BCorp

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### 2016 Winderlea Crawford Beck Vineyard Pinot noir

*From our coolest and only vineyard site in the Eola-Amity Hills comes the Crawford Beck Pinot noir. Situated at the mouth of the Van Duzer Corridor, Crawford Beck boasts the longest hang time of any of our vineyards and provides a beautiful counterpoint to the rest of our portfolio. Vibrant and dark aromatics mark the introduction to this wine. Musk, wet tobacco, and dried blueberries transition to a full palate that is peppery and layered. Prunes, chocolate, allspice and anise round out this broad wine.*

**AVA:** Eola-Amity Hills

**Vineyard:** Crawford Beck Vineyard

**Selections:** Pommard, Swan, and Dijon 115 and 60

**Harvest Date:** 9.14.16

**Alcohol:** 14.5%

**Élevage:** 10 months in French oak barrels, 27% new French oak barrels

**Bottled:** 8.30.17

**Production:** 265 cases

**Certifications:** LIVE and Salmon Safe, BCorp

**Press:** 92 Vinious, 92 (Editors Choice) Wine Enthusiast

### 2016 Winderlea Maresh Vineyard Pinot noir

*Aromatically, the 2016 Maresh opens with scents of sweet toasted marshmallow and raspberry cream. Blueberry jam wafts in, mingling with kirsch, lavender and black tea. The palate echoes the fruit and spice profile, finishing with more brooding flavors of clove and coffee bean. This wine has a silky texture with mouthwatering acidity and exceptionally fine tannins.*

**AVA:** Dundee Hills

**Vineyard:** Maresh Vineyard

**Selections:** Dijon 115

**Harvest Date:** 9.15.16, 9.20.16

**Alcohol:** 13.5%

**Élevage:** 10 months in French oak barrels, 25% new French oak barrels

**Bottled:** 8.31.17

**Case Production:** 171 cases

**Certifications:** BCorp

**Press:** 93 Vinous, 91 Wine Enthusiast

### 2016 Winderlea Meredith Mitchell Pinot noir

*Though the latest vintage of Meredith Mitchell opens subtler than its predecessors, it is by no means lacking in layers or complexity. Pomegranate and mint offer up a unique profile reinforced by coriander, cocoa, Moroccan spice and blueberry on the nose. The palate continues with cranberry, black tea and rhubarb complementing and enhancing the striking aromatics.*

**AVA:** McMinnville

**Vineyard:** Meredith Mitchell Vineyard

**Selections:** Own-rooted Pommard

**Harvest Date:** 9.20.16, 9.29.16

**Alcohol:** 14%

**Élevage:** 13 months in French oak barrels, 25% new French oak barrels

**Bottled:** 12.14.17

**Production:** 306 cases

**Certifications:** LIVE and Salmon Safe (vineyard is also being farmed Biodynamic)

**Press:** 94 Vinous, 91 Wine Enthusiast

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### 2016 Winderlea Murto Vineyard Pinot noir

*This wine intrigues with texture and depth, adding detail to the brisk raspberry fruit. There's an herbal note throughout, a typical signature of the Murto Vineyard that plays well with the fresh red fruit. This wine will benefit with age and should drink well into the late 2020s.*

**AVA:** Dundee Hills

**Vineyard:** Murto Vineyard

**Selections:** Pommard and Wädenswil

**Harvest Date:** 9.19.16

**Alcohol:** 14.5%

**Élevage:** 10 months in French oak barrels, 35% new French oak barrels

**Bottled:** 8.31.17

**Case Production:** 213 cases

**Certifications:** BCorp

**Press:** 90 Outstanding Burghound, 92 Vinous

### 2016 Winderlea Murto Vineyard Pinot noir | Whole Cluster

*Aromas of freshly baked marionberry pie introduce the 2016 Murto Vineyard Pinot noir. The dense scent of lingonberry is steeped in tarragon and French lavender followed by a mélange of fresh and dried roses. The palate is structured and dark with cocoa and leather underscoring sharp red fruits and spicy black pepper.*

**AVA:** Dundee Hills

**Vineyard:** Murto Vineyard

**Selections:** Pommard and Wädenswil

**Harvest Date:** 9.17.16

**Alcohol:** 14.5%

**Élevage:** 100% Whole Cluster, 10 months in French oak barrels, 24% new French oak barrels

**Bottled:** 8.31.17

**Case Production:** 98 cases

**Certifications:** BCorp

### 2016 Winderlea Shea Vineyard Pinot noir

*One of Oregon and the Willamette Valley's most well-known sites, Shea Vineyard has earned its reputation for consistently high quality Pinot noir. Always charming and seductive, the 2016 Shea does not disappoint. Notes of black tea, bergamot and grapefruit zest lead to a core of juicy red currants and cherries. The tannins are fine and concentrated and the finish is long.*

**AVA:** Yamhill-Carlton

**Vineyard:** Shea Vineyard Block 21 and 11

**Selections:** Pommard, Wädenswil, and Dljon 777

**Harvest Date:** 8.30.16, 9.12.16, 9.19.16

**Alcohol:** 13.4%

**Élevage:** 10 months in French oak barrels, 25% new French oak barrels

**Bottled:** 8.29.16

**Production:** 522 cases

**Certifications:** BCorp

**Press:** 94 Vinous, 93 Cellar Selection Wine Enthusiast



### 2016 Winderlea Weber Vineyard Pinot noir

*Formerly known as Ana, the Weber vineyard was planted only two years after Winderlea by longtime growers and pioneers Arthur and Vivian Weber. We are grateful that Vivian has continued to care for this legendary site since Arthur's passing. Orange oil, thai basil, red licorice, rose hip and raspberry candy burst from the glass and slide into the palate. These flavors are balanced by fine, powdery tannins, bright fruits, and a hint of cinnamon and lavender on a juicy, silky, and fresh finish.*

**AVA:** Dundee Hills

**Vineyard:** Weber Vineyard

**Selections:** Pommard

**Harvest Date:** 9.22.16

**Alcohol:** 14%

**Élevage:** 10 months in French oak barrels, 30% new French oak barrels

**Bottled:** 8.31.17

**Production:** 465 cases

**Certifications:** BCorp

**Press:** 93 Vinous, 91 Wine Enthusiast