

Antiquum Farm | “Juel”

Willamette Valley, Oregon AVA



The Story: The Antiquum Farm property consists of about 140 acres of forest, one 7ha Pinot Noir vineyard, and one 2ha Pinot Gris vineyard in the southern Willamette Valley near Eugene, Oregon. After years of farming organically, Stephen wondered what would happen if he stopped using the same homogenizing organic fertilizers and made his farming more site specific. He started using sheep, geese, and chicks to fertilize and sanitize the vineyards and stopped tilling in the grass. After 7 years his vineyards became self-sufficient and Stephen uses no outside inputs of any kind. His grapes began to change genetically. His Pinot Noir is blue. His Pinot Gris can be purple, pink, green, or pink, purple, and green all on the same vine and sometimes even the same berries. The resulting wines are something completely new and very amazing.

Vineyard: [Click here for further information.](#)

Vinification: The backbone of this wine is a single pick on a single day from each block of Pinot noir, co-fermented with 25% whole cluster inclusion. Layering of subsequent destemmed picks from each block, whether co-fermented or mono-clonal, happened through blending, building the body of the wine. Primary fermentation occurred in open top vessels with daily punch downs.

Ageing: 40% New and used French oak for 10 months.

Everything else you want to know about this wine: This wine is named after Stephen's son, Juel. This wine is a testament to his individualism, creativity, and joyous heart.

Varietal: 100% Pinot Noir

Region: Willamette Valley

Winemaker: Andrew Bandy-Smith

Vines Age: 20 years

Farming: Grazing based Viticulture

Soil: Bellpine

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