

# LANGE

ESTATE WINERY & VINEYARDS



## 2019 PINOT NOIR ROSÉ

### THE VINTAGE

"The vintage came on early with some warm days in April and May. Bud-break was on par with recent years and on the whole the summer was warm without excessive heat spikes. The most remarkable aspect to the growing season was above average humidity. The tonnages were close to normal, and Autumn was devoid of the strong high pressure systems we've been accustomed to in recent years. This compelled additional planning and scheduling on the part of our winemakers and vignerons. The fall pattern became clear early—dry sunny days, perhaps a bit cooler than normal, punctuated by a showery spell, then more sun. Our harvest started on September 14th, and was focused on whites—Pinot Gris and Chardonnay—with a fair amount of our Redside Pinot Noir, our earliest ripening site, as well. With patience and planning—just getting into the rhythm of the season—confident that our experience, and the experience of all our growers, would be manifest in sound, ripe grapes. This was indeed the case and we finished the harvest with our highest elevation Mia Block Pinot Noir on October 11th, nearly a month after we started, in bright sunshine with a delighted crew." — Executive Winemaker, Don Lange

### THE VINEYARD

The fruit designated for our rosé of Pinot Noir comes from fifteen-year-old vines grown at the crest of our Mia block. The farming methods used in this section of our vineyard are specifically tailored for the production of rosé.

### THE WINEMAKING

These grapes were hand-picked and hand-sorted. 48-hours of skin contact has imparted a brilliant hue as well as a touch of structure and roundness to balance this wine's vibrant, racy acidity.

### WINEMAKER'S TASTING NOTES

Translucent carmine red, the 2019 vintage blooms in the glass with showy aromas of pie cherries, market strawberries, baking spice, and orange zest. Nimble and lithe, a delicate balance is struck between generosity of fruit and a tensile acid spine that courses through the center. An alluring touch of smoky minerality emerges on the back-palate and lingers through to a mouthwatering finish.

VARIETAL: 100% Pinot Noir  
APPELLATION: Dundee Hills  
PRODUCTION: 450 cases  
ALCOHOL: 12.9%

