LANGE ESTATE VINEYARD
2020 Classique Pinot Noir

THE SERIES   The Classique series includes three varietals—pinot gris, chardonnay, and pinot noir. The provenance of this tier of wines is Oregon's North Willamette Valley, a broad and diverse American Viticultural area. Whatever the Classique series might lack in specificity of source, it makes up for in rambunctious fruit-driven style, intended more for immediate hedonism rather than cellaring.

Aged in new and neutral French oak, this attractively priced pinot noir is a fine example of expert blending by our winemaking team, embodying our true "Classique" style and spirit.

THE VINTAGE   "The 2020 growing season began with an early spring followed by inclement weather at bloom. This contributed to a reduced berry set and provided historically low yields across varietals and sites. While low yields can prove problematic for farmers, they are generally a boon for consumers and an attribute of high-quality wines. Buttressed by a warm summer that provided a great balance of daytime highs and nighttime lows, the resultant harvest yielded fruit that was beautifully ripe and packed with richness and complexity. Total growing degree days suggest parallels to superb vintages like 2004, 2006, and 2018. This is a happy indicator that Lange Estate's 2020 wines will be a vintage to savor." — Winemaker, Jesse Lange

VARIETAL	100% pinot noir
CLONES	a blend of traditional and Dijon clones
APPELLATION	Willamette Valley
ALCOHOL	13.7%
PRODUCTION	5,000 cases
FERMENTATION & AGING	new and neutral French oak barrels
RETAIL	$25

AROMAS	pie cherry, raspberry, underbrush, red-bush tea
FLAVORS	black cherry, cranberry, cedar
BODY	round and creamy with plush, balanced tannins and structure
FINISH	mineral tones, baking spice, dried orange peel
ACCOLADES	2020 - 91 Points - James Suckling 2019 - 92 Points - "Editors' Choice" Wine Enthusiast 91 Points - International Wine Report 92 Points - James Suckling 2018 - 92 Points - James Suckling 2017 - 91 Points - "Editors' Choice" Wine Enthusiast

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