

Domaine Drouhin

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Dear Friends –

Summer is here, and after the past year, we are even more grateful to celebrate the feelings of rejuvenation and delight that this season brings. In the Dundee Hills, we're enjoying the longer days and the unfettered growth in the vineyards. Harvest is now on the horizon, and each year, as we consider the season's potential, we reflect on the joys and triumphs of years past. It is in this spirit that we proudly offer our 2018 Pinot Noir Cuveé Laurène.



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"Super complex and rich with a ripe array of red to dark-cherry and plum aromas."

94 Robert Parker
WINE ADVOCATE

"The medium-bodied palate is concentrated, super spicy, firm and very fresh, finishing uplifted and loaded with perfumed fruits."

The 2018 Laurène is a standout in this phenomenal vintage. The growing season began fresh and cool, transitioning into a comfortable summer with few heat spikes. The overall mildness of the season allowed our grapes to achieve our desired ripeness and enviable complexity. The harvest was unhurried and finished by late September.

Speaking of harvest: we hope you have the opportunity to join us in September and October when the winery is full of vibrancy and action. If you can't make it to the Dundee Hills, please keep an eye on our website for the most up-to-date information on our virtual tasting and events.

As always, we appreciate your continued support, loyalty, and friendship. We look toward the future with optimism and the promise of seeing everyone soon.

— Your Friends at DDO

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NEXT DDO DIRECT SHIPMENT:

Winter 2022

2020 Chardonnay Arthur
Member's Choice — Pinot Noir

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TASTING NOTES

Summer 2020 Shipment:

2018 DOMAINE DROUHIN OREGON PINOT NOIR LAURÈNE

About Laurène Cuvée

Named after Véronique Boss-Drouhin's elder daughter, Laurène is our flagship wine and is produced entirely from Pinot Noir grown on the family's estate in the Dundee Hills. The fruit is handpicked into small totes, destemmed, fermented with indigenous yeasts, and then placed into French Oak barrels. Once the vintage is safely in the cellar, Véronique begins the process of selecting barrels which have an extra complexity, length, and depth — barrels which will work together as Laurène.

The Vintage

Our exceptional run of vintages here in Oregon continues with 2018. The season started on a slightly wet and cool note leading to late bud break, but caught up quickly. After dry weather and occasional heat spikes in July and August, the end of summer brought comfortable temperatures, a little rainfall, and the perfect set up for harvest.

Harvest Dates: September 26 - October 04, 2018

Bottling Date: February 10-13, 2020

Véronique's Tasting Notes

In many ways, the 2018 Laurène embodies what we love most about wines from the Dundee Hills. Offering beautiful clarity and a garnet color on approach, the aromatics brim with notes of dried red cherry, spice, wild herbs, earth, and subtle oak. Characteristically elegant, the wine evolves on the palate, moving seamlessly from its pomegranate welcome into its detailed lines of clove, white pepper, and cranberry. As always, cellaring the Laurène over the next 5-15 years will be well rewarded.

— Véronique Drouhin

