

# ROSE ROCK

DROUHIN OREGON

## 2021 Zéphirine Pinot Noir, Eola-Amity Hills

### ABOUT DROUHIN OREGON ROSEROCK

Roserock is an extraordinary vineyard at the southern tip of the Eola-Amity Hills, in Oregon's Willamette Valley. Ancient volcanic soils, an ideal elevation range and the unique cooling effect of the Van Duzer corridor produce classic cool-climate Pinot Noir and Chardonnay. Roserock is LIVE-certified sustainable.

### ABOUT OUR ZÉPHIRINE PINOT NOIR

Our Zéphirine Pinot Noir is a barrel selection cuvée from the Roserock vineyard, and is a reference expression of the site. Zéphirine conveys purity and beauty, reflects winemaker Véronique Boss-Drouhin's dedication to elegance and finesse, and will age meaningfully for years to come. The name refers to the Zéphirine Drouhin variety of climbing rose, which is known for its fragrance and beauty.

### THE 2021 VINTAGE

The 2021 vintage was absolutely worth the wait, and we couldn't be more pleased with the charm and grace its wines present at every level. An arid and warm spring led to an even warmer, drier summer with notable heat spikes. Wonderfully, the vines remained healthy, and as temperatures cooled in mid-September, harvest was able to stretch out over three smooth weeks, ending in early October. After a dramatic growing season, the vines delivered grapes with complex flavors, incredible balance, and layers of elegance. As winemakers and grape growers, we couldn't have asked for a better gift from the vineyard.

### VÉRONIQUE'S TASTING NOTES

Our 2021 Roserock Zéphirine Pinot Noir gets right to the point: it is a fragrant, complex, exuberant expression of our vineyard, and its potential longevity is inspiring. On the nose, black currants, violet and lavender invite exploration. On the palate, juicy blue/black notes of wild berries and subtle earthiness wrap around a touch of spice. The tannins are firm yet elegant, providing a smooth mouthfeel and a long, satisfying finish. In short, the 2021 Zéphirine is special!

*— Véronique Drouhin*



*97, James Suckling*

*French Soul, Oregon Soil*

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