

*Domaine Drouhin*

OREGON

2023 DOMAINE DROUHIN OREGON

*Pinot Noir Laurène*



*About the 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 2023 Vintage*

In 2023, budbreak was unusually late, starting on April 30. Next came an unexpected heat surge and minimal rainfall, a lasting pattern which compressed the period from budbreak to bloom to less than 45 days (a record)! Our vineyards adapted well to these surprises, and when harvest started on September, the fruit looked great. Towards the end of the month, we saw some significant rains. The overall harvest concluded on October 5.

*Véronique's Tasting Notes*

Elegant and expressive, the 2023 Laurène opens with aromas of lilac, cardamom, and pitted cherries. The nose is lifted and complex, with floral notes giving way to a savory undercurrent. On the palate, layers of ripe summer berries unfold alongside subtle baking spices and crushed herbs, all held in graceful balance. The extended finish offers a glimpse into Laurène's very promising future.

*— Véronique Drouhin*

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