

COMPTON

FAMILY WINES



Pinot Blanc 2023

Production:	238 cases
Appellation:	Willamette Valley, Oregon
Alcohol:	12.5%
T.A.:	6 grams per liter
pH:	3.20
R.S.:	0.42%



Wine:

Scents of fresh pear, wild thyme and sea breeze. Flavors are driven by a consistent acidity and minerality, balanced by Meyer lemon and juicy pear. The classic Pinot Blanc racy “edge” persists in the lengthy finish. Regeneratively Farmed Estate Pinot Blanc vines were planted in 1997 at our Compton Family Farms Vineyard in Philomath, Oregon. The Southeast facing vineyard is lower elevation and benefits from the rich soil series of the Willamette Valley.

Winemaking & Vineyard:

60% of the wine is pressed and placed in the concrete egg to ferment and age until the wine is bottled. With no corners, the wine is free to circulate naturally during fermentation. Concrete can take the heat, or the cold. It's a natural insulator and will stabilize the temperature of whatever is inside of it. This stability makes for a smooth and gradual fermentation which increases the flavors. 90% of the fruit is from our estate Compton Family Farms Pinot Blanc the other 10% from Hoot & Howl Vineyard. Compton Family Farms estate vines were planted in 1997 at our, Compton Family Farms Vineyard in Philomath, Oregon. This Southeast facing vineyard is lower elevation and benefits from the rich soil series of the Willamette Valley. The cooler micro-climate here allows us to pick our Pinot Blanc later in the season when the flavors are full and expressive.

2023 Growing Season:

The 2023 growing season had a late start with a cool April that prevented bud break, which we welcomed after last year's spring frost. Vines across the state started bud break with the abrupt warm temperatures in late April to May. The warm May led to some of the most rapid grapevine growth that I have seen in my 16 years in Oregon. As a result, most of the state's growing regions started bloom by early June, as sufficient heat units were reached. The warm summer rewarded us with great fruit quality and higher-than-expected yields at harvest time and an early harvest in mid-September. The quality of the fruit in 2023 was outstanding.