

WINEMAKER'S DROP

Estate & Library Oregon Pinot Noir (2014–2021)

Online-only release • Limited to 32 mixed cases • 72-hour window • Limit 1 per person

For forty years we've been making Pinot Noir on this hill in Yamhill-Carlton. Every vintage teaches us something new, so we hold back small amounts to show how Kramer Pinot evolves — from bright and red-fruited to savory, woodsy, and quietly powerful. This Winemaker's Drop is a moment in that story: a 12-bottle collection that lets you pour the present and taste the past, without calling the winery to ask what's in the cellar.

Why this drop, right now

2018–2021 are in a gorgeous place for brightness and lift. 2015–2017 bring nuance, spice, and that forested Willamette detail. And 2014 is there for the person at your table who always asks, "Do you have anything older?" Instead of choosing one year, you get the entire arc — ready to pour for fall, or to cellar a little longer.

What's in this release (12)

A progression from mature 2014 to vibrant 2021, curated by the winemaker.

Wine	Qty	Tasting Notes / Intent
2014 Pinot Noir Rebecca's Reserve	1	Mature, silky; red cherry, dried rose, forest floor.
2015 Pinot Noir Cardiac Hill	1	Ripe core, savory tension; black cherry, tea, mineral.
2016 Pinot Noir Cardiac Hill	1	Elegant, focused; cranberry, red plum, white pepper.
2017 Pinot Noir Rebecca's Reserve	1	Poised and floral; strawberry, earth, fine tannin.
2018 Pinot Noir Estate	2	Generous, seamless fruit; baking spice, supple texture.
2018 Pinot Noir Heritage	1	Layered, long; dark cherry, cedar, umami detail.
2019 Pinot Noir Heritage	1	Perfumed, vibrant; red fruits, orange zest, savory herbs.
2020 Pinot Noir Estate	2	Winemaker-selected estate lots; silky, mid-weight, ready to pour.
2021 Pinot Noir Estate	2	Bright, concentrated; red/black cherry, fine structure.

Vintage snapshots (pouring guidance)

Why a mixed-vintage case? So you can open something impressive tonight and still have bottles that reward patience.

Vintage	Profile / How to use it
2014	Fully mature, savory, forest detail — pour first for guests.
2015	Structured with darker fruit — 20–30 min decant.
2016	Red-toned, elegant, very Willamette — versatile at the table.
2017	Poised and floral — especially good with mushrooms.
2018–2019	Generous, spice, red cherry — crowd-pleasing and holiday-friendly.
2020–2021	Bright, young, cellarable — hold 2–5 years or decant longer.

Recommended flight orders

Option 1 — Story of the Hill: $2014 \rightarrow 2017 \rightarrow 2018$ Heritage $\rightarrow 2019$ Heritage $\rightarrow 2020$ Estate $\rightarrow 2021$ Estate. This order shows maturity first, then vineyard expression, then the current house style.

Option 2 — Entertaining: 2018 Estate \rightarrow 2019 Heritage \rightarrow 2016 Cardiac Hill \rightarrow 2014 Rebecca's Reserve. Start with the generous wines while guests arrive, end on the oldest bottle.

If you're pouring by-the-glass

Keep the 2018–2019 bottles open and at service temp — they stay lifted the longest. Open the 2014 and 2017 as needed and finish those bottles the same day.

Cellaring plan (quick reference)

- Enjoy now: 2014, 2017, 2018 Estate.
- 1–3 years: 2015, 2016, 2019 Heritage.
- 2-5 years: 2020 Estate, 2021 Estate (or decant 45-60 minutes).

Service troubleshooting

Wine seems tight: decant longer and serve slightly warmer (58°F). **Shows sediment:** pour gently; this is normal in older estate bottles.

Serving outdoors / warm room: keep bottles in a wine sleeve or small ice bucket so aromatics stay lifted.

Shipping & ordering

Ground shipping included on 72-hour Winemaker's Drop cases (where permitted). One collection per person, please.

If you wish to send a gift or allocate to a client, contact the winery team for concierge arrangements.

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