



BELLE PENTE PINOT NOIR YAMHILL-CARLTON DISTRICT

Belle Pente is one of the storied properties of Oregon's nascent winemaking days. Brian and Jill O'Donnell have farmed their 18 acres of vines with both organic and biodynamic methods as well as being firm believers in dry farming. Their wines are all about elegance, with a breadth of textures and flavors that can astonish.



VINEYARD

- Site:** For most vintages, this is from Belle Pente's estate vineyard (two acres) in Yamhill-Carlton, from their higher elevation blocks. A nicely diverse mix of clones and vine age (practically all planted in the last century).
- Soil:** Marine sedimentary (Willakenzie) soils over Cowlitz formation sandstone.
- Vines:** Grapes are hand harvested early with the intention of showing the kinder-gentler side of the Yamhill-Carlton appellation.
- Varieties:** Pinot Noir.

CELLAR

- Vinification & Aging:** Approximately 10% whole clusters in the ferment. Aged 18 months in barrel (20% new French oak and the rest 1-6 years old).
- Production:** ~450 cases.
- Profile:** Full-flavored and fruit forward.