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Statistics

COUNTRY

United States

APPELLATION

Eola-Amity Hills AVA, Willamette Valley, Oregon

FOUNDED

1992

WINEGROWER & ESTATE

OWNER

Tom Gerrie

WINEMAKER

Steve Doerner

CASE PRODUCTION

17,000

FARMING PRACTICES

LIVE and Salmon Safe certified, biodynamic farming

Varieties

Pinot Noir

Syrah

Chardonnay

Pinot Gris

Viognier

Website

www.cristomvineyards.com

"One of Oregon's longest-running acts, Cristom's winemaking and vineyard team have been in place since the winery's founding in 1992, and their naturally produced Pinot Noirs are among Oregon's most acclaimed wines."

— Food & Wine Magazine

Winery Profile

Cristom is one of Oregon's most iconic estates, turning out elegant, mineral-laden Pinot Noirs of matchless depth and style for the past quarter-century. The winery and has enjoyed numerous accolades over the years, most recently, their Mt. Jefferson Cuvée Pinot Noir was recognized as the No. 1 Pinot Noir in American Restaurants in Wine & Spirits Magazine's 29th Annual Restaurant Poll and was also awarded 95 points by JamesSuckling.com. Additionally, their 2014 Eola-Amity Hills Marjorie Vineyard Pinot Noir was the highest-rated Pinot Noir in The Wine Advocate's annual Oregon Report, out of over 520 wines sampled, rated 97 points by critic Lisa Perrotti-Brown, MW.

What began as a shared vision between Paul Gerrie and veteran winemaker, Steve Dorner—then the longtime winemaker at California's pioneering Central Coast winery, Calera—has since blossomed. The winery's 239-acre estate is divided into five distinct vineyards; these include Eileen, Jessie, Louise, and Marjorie, all with varying elevations and soil types; all are cooled by breezes from the Pacific Ocean air that flows east into the Willamette Valley during the warm summer months. Cristom's unique wind-blown terroir in combination with clonal diversity, minimal handling in the cellar, as well as whole-cluster fermentation by native yeasts, contributes to their wine's graceful, impeccably balanced profiles. Meticulous biodynamic farming practices in the vineyard, and a non-interventionist philosophy lends to Cristom's enduring brand stability. Each year, the winery's Pinot Noir blends and single vineyard offerings are well-positioned to place on the finest wine lists and in the best wine shops all over the world.

Twenty-six years on, second-generation winegrower and owner, Tom Gerrie now leads the team at Cristom, having made wine in Australia, Burgundy, Alsace, in addition to apprenticeships at Beaux Frères and Bethel Heights, Tom is continuing his family's legacy.



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Critical Acclaim

2015 Mt. Jefferson Cuvée Pinot Noir

95 Points James Suckling jamesuckling.com

The nose is fresh and shows great depth with raspberry crumble, dried wild strawberries, orange peel and milk chocolate shavings. Medium-to-full-bodied, with lots of spicy, crunchy red fruit, tangy acidity, firm tannins and a long finish.

2014 Estate Pinot Noir

95 Points Josh Reynolds [Vinous Media](#)

Bright red. Suave, smoke-accented aromas of raspberry preserves, pungent flowers, incense and cola, along with a hint of allspice in the background. Sappy and expansive on the palate, offering intense red berry, allspice and floral pastille flavors that are sharpened by a jolt of zesty acidity. Shows superb clarity and spicy bite on a long, penetrating finish shaped by silky, even tannins. The interplay of power and finesse here is really something. Drinking window 2020-2027

2015 Eileen Vineyard Pinot Noir, Eola-Amity Hills

95 Points Josh Reynolds [Vinous Media](#)

Intense, highly expressive aromas of raspberry preserves, cherry cola, Asian spices and incense carry a sexy floral overtone. Juicy and expansive on the palate, offering sweet Chambord, rose pastille and five-spice powder flavors that become more energetic with air. Closes sappy, spicy and extremely long, delivering emphatic red fruit thrust, lingering florality and talc-y tannins that merge effortlessly into the energetic fruit. Drinking Window 2021-2028

2015 Marjorie Vineyard Pinot Noir, Eola-Amity Hills

95 Points Josh Reynolds [Vinous Media](#)

Brilliant red. Powerful red berry liqueur, Asian spice and incense aromas are brightened by a smoky mineral nuance that builds steadily in the glass. Sappy, sweet and penetrating in the mouth, offering vibrant raspberry, cherry and floral pastille flavors joined by lively five-spice powder and white pepper accents. Spicy and seamless on the finish, showing silky, harmonious tannins and superb, floral-dominated persistence. Drink Window 2021-2028

2015 Louise Vineyard Pinot Noir, Eola-Amity Hills

94 Points Lisa Perotti Brown [Robert Parker's Wine Advocate](#)

Pale to medium ruby-purple, the 2015 Pinot Noir Louise Vineyard has a savory, almost meaty nose over a core of Black Forest cake, red currants, mulberries, cardamom and fenugreek with a touch of potpourri. Medium-bodied, the palate has exquisitely fine tannins and a lively line of acidity supporting generous, multi-layered red berry preserves and spice, finishing with impressive persistence and depth. Drink Date 2017-2024

2015 Jessie Vineyard Pinot Noir, Eola-Amity Hills

94 Points Lisa Perotti Brown [Robert Parker's Wine Advocate](#)

Pale to medium ruby-purple, the 2015 Pinot Noir Jessie Vineyard is scented of kirsch, mulberries and raspberry tart with underlying Chinese five spice, hoisin and mossy bark hints. Medium-bodied, there's a very seductive mid-palate of red berry and exotic spice flavors, supported by velvety tannins and just enough freshness, finishing with spicy layers. Drink Date 2017-2024

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