

Benmar

2023 Benmar Into the Fog Pinot Noir
Willamette Valley

85% Dundee Hills AVA
15% Eola-Amity Hills AVA

96/100 Decanter

“Dark Bing cherry and raspberry fruits, with notes of deep forest underbrush, conifer, rose petals, and sweet loamy earth. Medium to full-bodied, featuring apple-skin tannins and crunchy pomegranate nuances, smoky clove, allspice, star anise, and pressed violets. Expressive, with a balanced tension and purity of flavours – indeed a remarkable wine for only its second vintage by winemaker Greg Bybee.”

The 2023 Into the Fog Pinot Noir is a captivating organic blend that showcases the finest qualities of two renowned Oregon vineyards. The majority of the fruit, 85%, is sourced from a vineyard nestled in front of the prestigious NYSA vineyard in the Dundee Hills, while the remaining 15% is carefully selected from the esteemed Catrall Vineyard in the Eola-Amity Hills. On the nose, this Pinot Noir greets you with an alluring medley of ripe red cherries, wild strawberries, and a subtle hint of earthiness, accompanied by delicate aromas of rose petals, cinnamon, and a touch of forest floor.

The palate offers a harmonious fusion of blackcap raspberries, licorice fern, cedar, and sweet earth, intermingling with fresh, juicy red fruit. The wine's energetic acidity and graceful tannins provide a perfect backdrop for the complex brininess and mouth-watering vibrancy that are the hallmarks of the Dundee Hills terroir. The influence of the Eola-Amity Hills is evident in the ethereal note of wild rose that emerges on the finish, alongside spiced oak and a mouth-coating basalt minerality. This elegant and expressive Pinot Noir is a testament to the exceptional quality achieved through organic farming practices.

Our Path to Wine

We are proud to release our 2023 Into the Fog, our best yet!

- 2008 • Catch wine bug, decide to pursue
- 2010 • 5 years at Rochioli Vineyards in the cellar and tasting room learning to make world-class wine
- 2011 • Culinary Institute of America & 30 days in France tasting through the country
- 2012 • At Vinfolio learning and selling the most collectible wines in the world
- 2016 • Founding member of e-commerce team at Vivino, understanding what people love
- 2022 • Time to fulfill a dream
- 2024 • Sixteen years later, our inaugural 2022 Into the Fog receives 95 points from Decanter magazine

