# ADELSHEIM CELEBRATING 1971 - 2021

# 2018 BRYAN CREEK PINOT BLANC



#### **DESCRIPTORS:**

PEAR MINERALITY JUICY

#### **RELEASE DATE:**

February 2020

#### SUGGESTED RETAIL:

\$25

#### COMPOSITION:

100% Pinot blanc

## **APPELLATION:**

Chehalem Mountains AVA

#### **FERMENTATION:**

Following a gentle whole cluster pressing, the juice was racked, then inoculated with yeast, at which point fermentation commenced.

#### AGING:

Following fermentation, the wine was aged in stainless steel tank on its fermentation lees for 4 months prior to getting it ready for bottling.

#### ALCOHOL | pH:

13.5% | 307

### PRODUCTION:

795 cases | 6 / 750ml bottles

#### HARVEST DATE

September 28, 2018

#### **BOTTLING DATE:**

February 26, 2019





#### **2018 HARVEST**

The 2018 harvest will never be forgotten by those of us lucky enough to be a part of this spectacular vintage! A mid-April bud-break was followed by a dry and warm spring, sending our grapevines into a state of rapid growth, proceeded by ideal temperatures throughout May and June. While summer temperatures snuck up a bit early, our vines were happy due to a smaller than normal canopy, reducing the water requirements to keep the plants thriving. From late August through early September, the growing season took a fortuitous turn with temperatures cooling down dramatically. The final ripening push happened in nothing less than perfect conditions, with several weeks of highs in the mid 70's and temperatures dropping down into the 40's at night, a necessary weather event for optimal ripening without losing the natural acidity.

#### NOTES FROM WINEMAKER, GINA HENNEN

"What a great example of Pinot blanc from this site! It has a certain steely minerality at its core that is cushioned by ripe comice pear and a sneaky, but persistent textural plushness. This wine demands raw oysters."

#### **VINEYARD**

This wine comes entirely from our LIVE-certified Bryan Creek estate vineyard nestled high in the Chehalem Mountains. Planted on deep red volcanic soil in 1993, this old vine, own-rooted Pinot blanc is a cellar favorite.