

ROSE ROCK

DROUHIN OREGON

2023 ZÉPHIRINE PINOT NOIR

EOLA-AMITY HILLS, OREGON

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ABOUT DROUHIN OREGON ROSEROCK

Roserock is an extraordinary vineyard at the southern tip of the Eola-Amity Hills, in Oregon's Willamette Valley. Ancient volcanic soils, an ideal elevation range and the unique cooling effect of the Van Duzer corridor produce classic cool-climate Pinot Noir and Chardonnay.

Roserock is LIVE-certified sustainable.



ABOUT OUR ZÉPHIRINE PINOT NOIR

Our Zéphirine Pinot Noir is a barrel selection cuvée from the Roserock vineyard, and is a reference expression of the site. Zéphirine conveys purity and beauty, reflects winemaker Véronique Boss-Drouhin's dedication to elegance and finesse, and will age meaningfully for years to come. The name refers to the Zéphirine Drouhin variety of climbing rose, which is known for its fragrance and beauty.

THE 2023 VINTAGE

In 2023, budbreak was unusually late, starting on April 30. Next came an unexpected heat surge and minimal rainfall, a lasting pattern which compressed the period from budbreak to bloom to less than 45 days (a record)! Our vineyards adapted well to these surprises, and when harvest started on September, the fruit looked great. Towards the end of the month, we saw some significant rains. The overall harvest concluded on October 5.

VÉRONIQUE'S TASTING NOTES:

The 2023 Zéphirine Pinot Noir reflects the beauty and character of our Eola-Amity Hills vineyard. Fragrant and charming, it opens with expressions of violets, wild raspberry, bramble, and stone, followed by a hint of cinnamon. The palate is graceful, silky, and poised, revealing layered notes of juicy plum, marionberry, and blackberry pie, framed by a subtle spiced earthiness. Refined in structure and elegant in style, Zéphirine finishes with great length and promises exceptional aging potential.

JAMES SUCKLING
97 POINTS

So pretty, charming and elegant, with floral aromas, light tannins and quiet vibrancy.

Fresh raspberries, sour cherries, red cherries, rose petals and minerals

give it complexity and appeal.

Finesse, nerve and great balance. Drink now or hold.

VINOUS
93 POINTS

Drinking Window: 2025 - 2030 The 2023 Pinot Noir Zéphirine wafts up with an understated blend of dried flowers, spiced citrus and wild strawberries.

A stern mineral core and brisk acidity enliven the tart wild berry fruits.

Youthful tension pinches at the cheeks, leaving angular tannins and admirable freshness.



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