



CRISTOM
VINEYARDS

CRISTOM LOUISE PINOT NOIR 2013

Appellation: Eola-Amity Hills; Willamette Valley; Oregon; USA

Winemaker: Steve Doerner
Closure: Cork
Alcohol: 13.5%
Certified Sustainably Grown

Vineyard

Cristom owner Paul Gerrie's maternal grandmother is the namesake for the Louise Vineyard, the first of the Cristom estate vineyards to be planted. Top slopes that run up against woodland separate Louise's lower vineyards from the upper, causing them to spend late afternoon in shade. The fruit on the lower slopes, which get more sun, is often the first of the season to be harvested. Beginning with the 1996 release, Louise has produced a wine that is more firmly structured than the wine from the other sites, full of deep and silky tannins. Characterised by a rich nose that's big and intense, Louise lingers on the palate, her story slowly unfolding.

Tasting Notes

Louise Vineyard is typically the last single vineyard wine to be released. The wine is more heavily textured, dark-fruited and more concentrated in flavor than any of our other estate Pinot Noir. We often find creamy-mocha latte notes on the bouquet co-mingling with dark red fruits that are reminiscent of fresh mulberries, very ripe blackberries, plums and black cherries along with hints of chocolate. We recognize Louise by a rich nose that's big and intense, a delightful velvet texture and a full and persistent finish.

