



REX HILL



William Hatcher developed and managed Domaine Drouhin Oregon from its conception in 1987 until the Spring of 2001. His wife **Debra** was active in the venture as well. Many years ago, she also worked with David Lett at The Eyrie Vineyards.



Sam Tannahill was the winemaker at Archery Summit from 1995 until Spring 2002. Before that he worked at Domaine l'Arlot in Nuits St. Georges. Sam's wife, **Cheryl Francis** was Chehalem's winemaker from 1996 through 2003 after stints in Burgundy and New Zealand.

REX HILL Vineyards

Willamette Valley, Oregon

History:

Rex Hill Winery, founded in 1982 by Paul Hart and Jan Jacobsen, was built around an old prune drying facility and opened in 1985. The original vineyard around the winery is today all Pinot Noir except for one row of Muscat that is left for the sweet delight of harvest visitors. The focus on high quality Pinot Noir at the gateway to the Northern Willamette Valley makes Rex Hill a must stop on visits to or through wine country.

In 2007, A to Z Wineworks (the William Hatcher Family, the Francis Tannahills, and a few partners including Gregg Popovich) purchased Rex Hill Vineyards and Winery bringing fresh enthusiasm and energy to the properties while strengthening both brands. A constant focus on quality is first and foremost. Committed to Biodynamic farming and sustainable business practices, the two families also brought wine education to Rex Hill which now offers classes and seminars to professionals and the public.

The Land:

Rex Hill vineyards have participated in Oregon's sustainability movement from its outset and our ties to the LIVE organization are deep and strong. We are committed to helping our independent growers to farm more sustainably, we encourage and assist moving to organic practices and we are moving toward certification by the international biodynamic certifier, Demeter, for the acres we farm biodynamically. Biodynamic farming is the most stringent of organic farming practices and takes into account not only the physical aspects of farming, but the energetic and spiritual aspects as well.

Winemaking:

Rex Hill's winemaking philosophy is simple: with great integrity and honesty we craft the finest wines we can aiming to truly represent their origins and varietal character. In order to accomplish this philosophy and goal, we farm our own vineyards biodynamically and carefully select growers to work with who share our intentions in the vineyard. We lower yields where needed to insure fully ripened fruit and then work hard to pick at the best possible physiological moment.

We are proud to be among the oldest Oregon wineries and to farm some of the oldest vineyards in the Willamette Valley. We strive to reflect our sense of place in everything we do. The Willamette Valley produces most of Oregon's Pinot family grapes because they produce wines with density and flavor purity. At Rex Hill, we respect what the fruit brings to us and then work to produce wines with quiet power, elegance and eloquence, giving true expression of site, vintage and climate.



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