

2017 Patty Green Commemorative Pinot Noir



In Loving Memory of Patty Green

In honor of the late founder's last vintage, her partners tagged 150 barrels that they felt she would have particularly liked. The final blend was made from 25 of those barrels, one for each vintage Patty had made during her career. Ripe berry and cherry fruit has a creamy/crunchy mouthfeel, backed with appealing minerality. The simple, yet touching label is a photograph from the 2016 harvest—Patty's boots, shovel and beer.

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(Discounts do not apply to this wine)

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Obviously the decision to make this wine to pay tribute to Patty was an easy one, but figuring out what this wine was going to be was, at first, a bit of a puzzle. It's easy to say "best barrels from the best vineyards" but that wasn't exactly the way she went about things. Ultimately, we simply decided to start tasting through the cellar and that we would simply know a "Patty barrel" when we tasted one. That was exactly her style.

We arrived at somewhere between 25-30 of those barrels scattered throughout the vineyards in the cellar. We ended up choosing a blend of 25 barrels as a way to signify the 25 vintages she had run wineries in the northern Willamette Valley from 1993-2017. Likewise, we settled on a bottle price of \$62 which was the age she had just turned when she passed away.

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