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Four Graces

Welcome

Our door is always open. Our table always has room for one or two – or even a dozen – more. You see, to us, some of the best times in life are those spent around our table, with family, with friends. A simple meal prepared with the freshest ingredients. Long meandering conversation. A lot of laughter. And always, a good bottle of wine to share.

Wine teaches us much about life. The best of both requires wisdom, time and patience. Both are enhanced by a delicious meal. Both should be savored. Both should be shared.

And so, when we came to decide upon a family business, one we could leave as a legacy to our five children, we turned to the art of growing and hand-making fine wines. We purchased a 110-acre vineyard in the Red Hills of Dundee, and under the guidance of renowned winemaker Laurent Montalieu, created The Four Graces, named in honor of our four daughters, Alexis, Vanessa, Christiana, and Jillian. Brother Nicholas is The Keeper of The Four Graces.

Though it's not quite possible to invite the world to our table, The Four Graces is our family's way of sharing with you our passion for loving life and each other. So have a seat. Pour yourself a glass of one of our delightful Pinots. And make a toast with us to this good life.

Steve and Paula Black



Black Family Vineyard

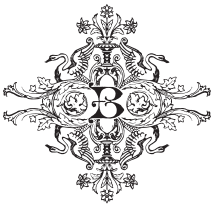
The best wine evokes a sense of the place from which it came. The Four Graces proudly hails from the Black Family Vineyard, where a natural spring flows along 110 acres nestled in the Red Hills of Dundee in Oregon's Willamette Valley. This cool region is known for its fine Pinots. The unique Jory basaltic soil and the valley's microclimate provide just enough of the struggle necessary to create our Pinot's exceptional balance and complexity. We use only sustainable farming techniques, with a sincere dedication to care for the land.

Pinot Noir

In 1990, 38 acres were planted in Pinot Noir. The oldest vines were of Pommard and Wadensville at a spacing of 1280 vines per acre. In 1992, Dijon Clones 114, 11 and 777 were planted at 1555 vines per acre on divigorating rootstock such as 3309, 101-14 and Riparia Gloire. Vertically trellised, these vines produce an annual average of 2 tons per acre.

Pinot Gris and Pinot Blanc

The 12 acres planted in Pinot Gris and 5 acres planted in Pinot Blanc were sourced from some of the best clones of the Alsace region of France. The clones were grafted onto phylloxera-resistant rootstocks and trained into an upright, double guyot trellising system. These plants have established a great balance, carrying a consistent crop of around 2.5 to 3 tons per acre.



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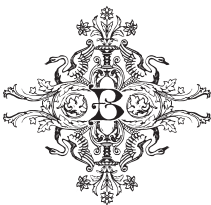
Doe Ridge Vineyard

In order to offer an interesting diversity of wines in the Oregon appellation, in 2005 we purchased the Doe Ridge Vineyard in the Yamhill-Carlton district. Careful planning and development make this 90-acre site the most innovative new vineyard in the Willamette Valley — not to mention, one of the most beautiful.

Twenty of the 40 planted acres are cultivated using sustainable farming techniques, while the other 20 acres are farmed using the Rudolph Steiner practice of Biodynamie, under the guidance of French consultant, Philippe Armenier. Each section of the vineyard integrates the swells and slopes with row directions that are slightly off of the typical north to south alignment. This ensures the full ripening of grapes and the avoidance of sun damage.

In preparation, the site was ripped to a depth of five feet. Untreated cedar posts and metal stakes enhance microbiological activity of the soil, thereby allowing better expression of the sedimentary Willakenzie soil. The newer Dijon clones of 114, 115, 667 and 777 and the Old World Pommard clones were grafted to divigorating rootstocks 101-14 and Riparia Gloire, and were planted at 2555 vines per acre (1.8m x 1.0m spacing).

A wooded ravine and rushing stream run through the center of the site, leading to a clear pond, which can irrigate the vineyard. The Doe Ridge Vineyard is destined to produce exquisite fruit for The Four Graces as we expand our family of fine wines.



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