## ARGYLE

## Vintage Brut Rosé | 2018 Willamette Valley AVA

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## TASTING NOTES

A warm and dry summer lead to a concentrated, yet vibrant 2018 sparkling wine vintage in the Willamette Valley. Knudsen Vineyard, protected in the deep volcanic soils of the Dundee Hills, brings supple depth and elegance, while Spirit Hill Vineyard, in the windy and rocky volcanic soils of the Eola-Amity Hills, brings energy and minerality. Crushed raspberry, white peach, and toasted brioche are framed around a creamy center and long, elegant finish.

## **VINTAGE NOTES**

The 2018 growing season began with a relatively mild and dry winter and moderately cool spring, leading to bud break during the second and third weeks of April. Temperatures picked up in May and continued into a beautiful mid-June bloom. The rest of the summer continued to be warm and very dry, with no precipitation for nearly 3 months. Early September remained warm and dry through the beginning of the sparkling harvest, but then cooled down with a few days of precipitation in the middle of the month. This allowed for still wine ripening (and the cellar crew!) to slow down and catch their breath before finishing out with beautiful late September and early October weather. In all, the 2018 harvest was very condensed, having started with Chardonnay at the lower elevations of Lone Star Vineyard in the Eola-Amity Hills on September 4th and finishing with Pinot Noir in the upper elevations of the Eola-Amity Hills at Spirit Hill Vineyard on October 2nd.

ABV 12.5%
WINE MAKER Nate Klostermann
HARVESTED Sept. 10th - Sept. 20, 2018
COMPOSITION 30% Pinot Noir, 27% Chardonnay,
43% Pinot Meunier

Avg. HARVEST 18.6 DOSAGE 5.0 g/L PH 3.05 TA: 9.0 g/L

VINEYARD1 Knudsen Vineyard LOCATION Dundee Hills ELEVATION 530-1000 ft. VINEYARD2 Spirit Hill Vineyard LOCATION Eola-Amity Hills ELEVATION 700-850 ft.