EVESHAM WOOD

The Wine

Designation:	La Grive Bleue
Vintage:	2015
Produced:	155 cases
ABV:	13%
Released:	Spring 2017

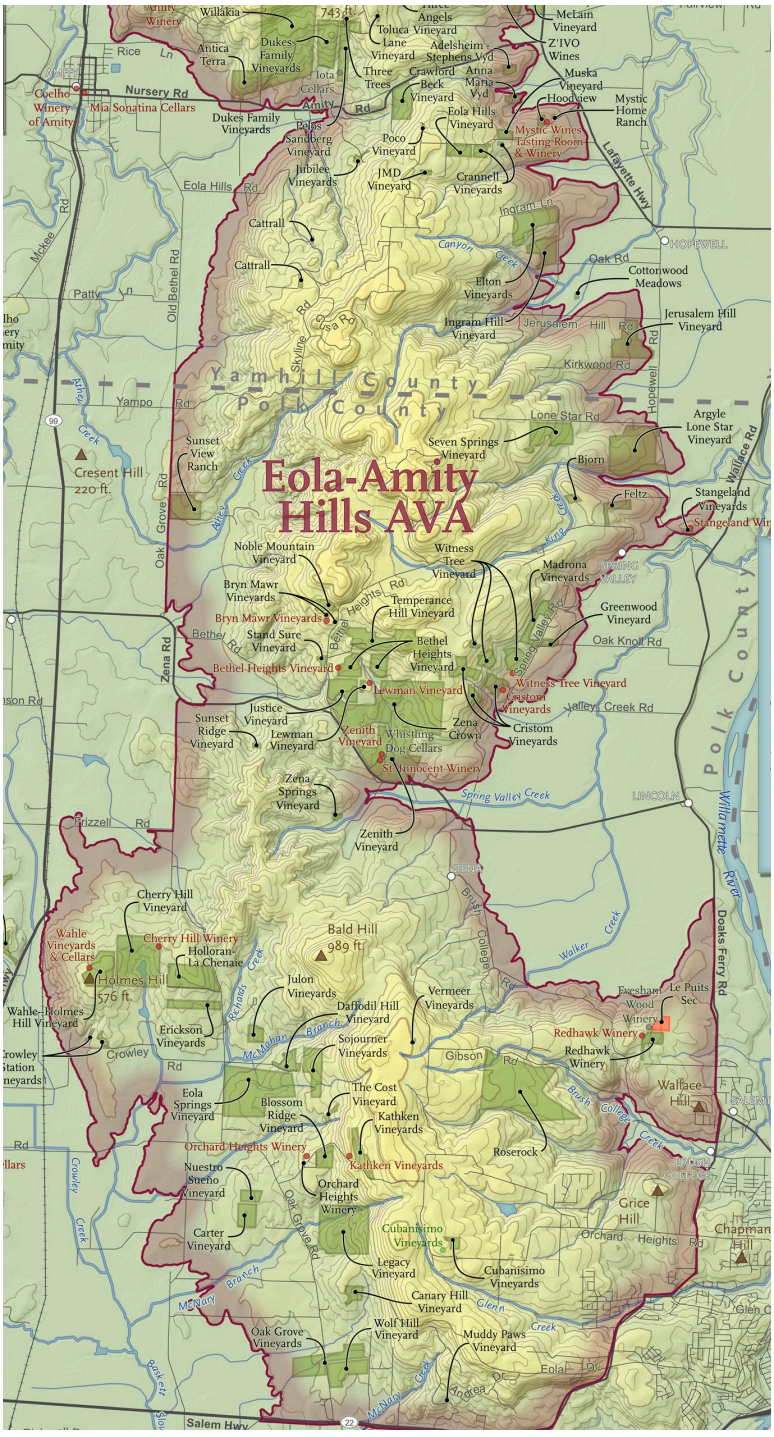
The Place

AVA:	Eola-Amity Hills
Vineyard:	La Grive Bleue
Vine Age:	19 years
Density:	2300 vines per acre
Soil:	Jory & Woodburn
Elevation:	272-341''
Exposure:	East-southeast
Harvested:	September ??, 2015
Farming:	Dry-farmed using organic practices
Certification:	Organic (Oregon Tilth)

The Method

Yeast:	Proprietary "Jayer"
Extraction:	Twice-daily pumpover for three days followed by twice-daily punchdown
Cuvaison:	21 days
Elevage:	16 months
Oak Regimen:	French barrels, ~10% new

Winemaker Notes:

While from a distance--and on paper--2015 and 2014 looked remarkably similar, they drink quite differently from one another. In the final weeks before the 2015 harvest the heat finally broke. This slowed the accumulation of sugars and allowed for the grapes to preserve their acidity which gave us a little more liberty in our picking decisions.

As is true with the rest of our Cru 2015 bottlings, we see much more focus and balance than was seen in the 2014's. Dark fruits including cherry, raspberry and plum with hints of violet and sage in the nose and a creamy, fleshy texture enhanced by bright acidity. - Erin Nuccio