EVESHAM WOOD

The Wine

Designation:	Pinot Noir Willamette Valley
Vintage:	2018
Produced:	5300 cases
ABV:	13%
Released:	Autumn 2019

The Place

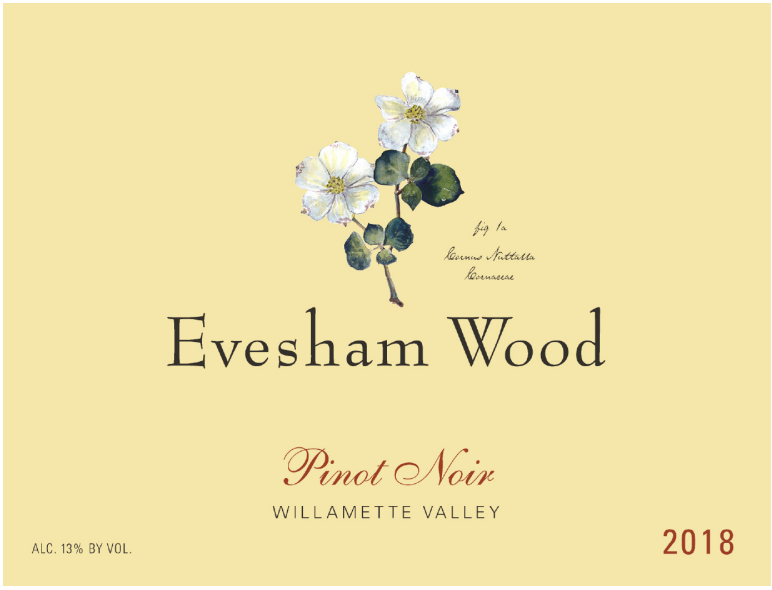
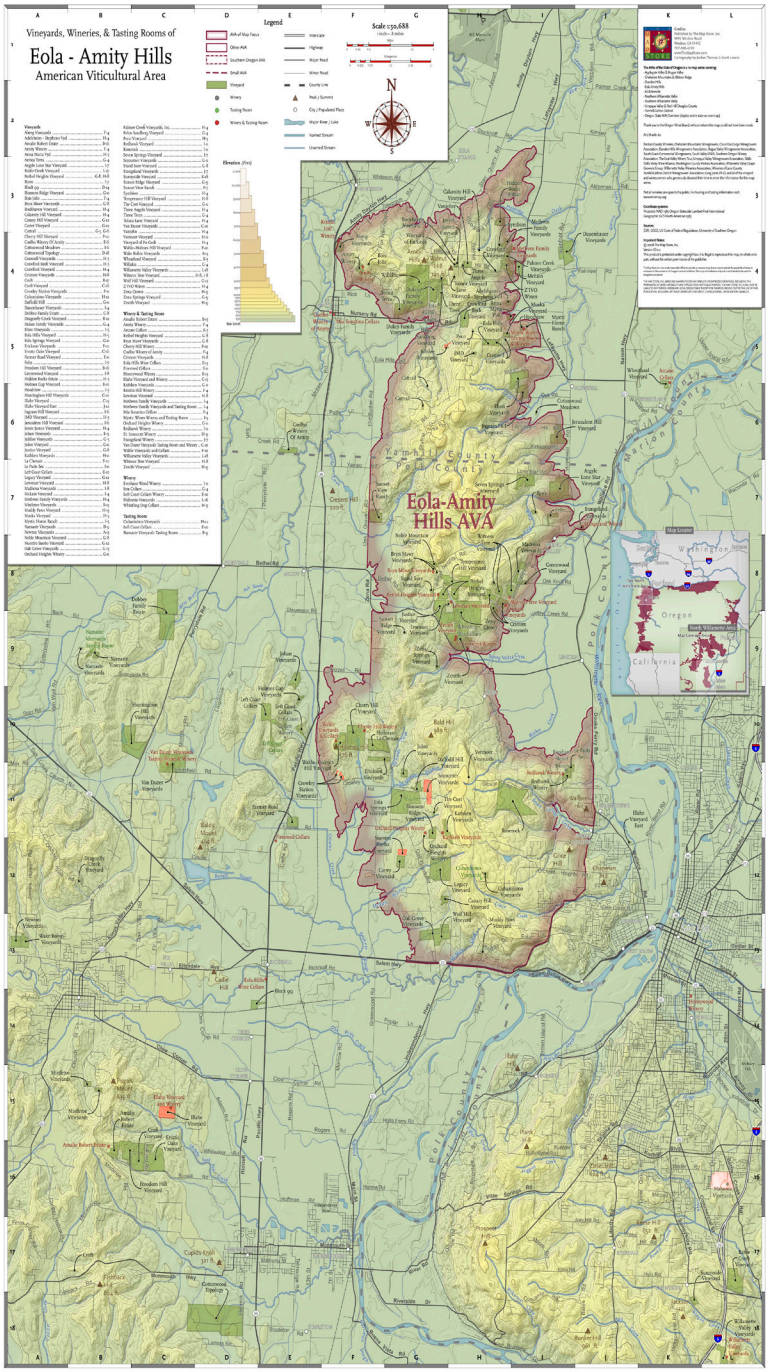
AVA:	Willamette Valley
Vineyards:	Mahonia*, Illahe, Sojourner*, Silvershot, Nuestro Sueño, Prophet, Azana**, Ash Creek, & Jubilee
Vines Planted:	1985-2010
Soils:	Nekia, Jory, Dupee, Willakenzie, & Bellpine
Elevation:	200-750'
Exposure:	predominantly western
Harvested:	Mid-September 2017
Farming:	Dry-farmed using sustainable, organic, or biodynamic practices
Certification:	*Sustainable (Live & Salmon Safe)

The Method

Yeast:	Proprietary "Jayer"
Extraction:	Twice-daily pumpover for three days followed by twice-daily punchdown
Cuvaison:	21 days
Elevage:	10 months
Oak Regimen:	French oak, all neutral

Winemaker Notes:

We try to use this wine as our looking glass to figure out what is yet to come from all of the other HF and EW wines that are still in barrel. 2018 seems to be following the path of 2016 and 2012: cool vintages that drink–and look!–like they were warm vintages. 2018 was blessed by a healthy and large crop with good sugars and a remarkably low pH.

Along with Le Puits Sec and J, this is the wine I'm most proud to offer: a truly artisanal, hands-off pinot noir made the same way as our single-vineyard wines at a most reasonable price. Bright and aromatic with red cherry, sour cherry and spice on the nose moving to riper plum and savory mouth-filing fruit with juicy acid and a succulance on the finish.

- Erin Nuccio