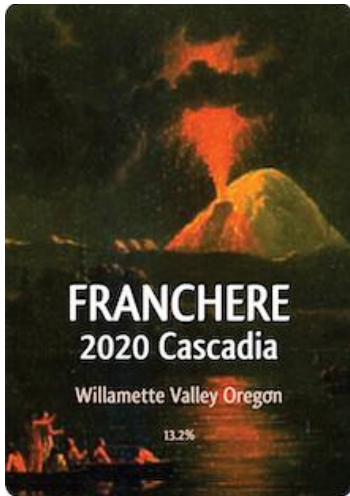


# Franchere “Cascadia” 2020

Willamette Valley AVA

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Lively, fresh, aromatic – inspired by Touraine reds



Alc ... 13.2%

pH ... 3.74

TA ... 5.3 g/L

RS ... 0 g/L

## The Wine

Inspired by the many European wine regions that produce light, fresh red wines intended for early consumption, this multi-vineyard blend from the Willamette Valley is named for the tectonic province that shapes our region.

Franchere winemaker Mike Hinds coferments the grapes purchased from Zenith Vineyard in the Eola-Amity Hills and Havlin Vineyard in the Van Duzer Corridor. The wine is a foot-stomped, 20% whole cluster blend of

- 83% Pinot noir
- 10% Grüner veltliner
- 7% Syrah

Aged in neutral barrels and stainless tank on fine lees for 9 months. 30 ppm SO<sub>2</sub> added before bottling.

<i>Farming</i>	Dry farmed, without systemic herbicides OMRI-listed and/or LIVE-approved foliar sprays
<i>Soils</i>	<u>Zenith Vineyard</u> Marine sedimentary – silt loam <u>Havlin Vineyard</u> Marine sedimentary – silt loam
<i>Fermentation &amp; Aging</i>	Native yeast exclusively (not inoculated) 9 months in tank and neutral barrels on fine lees Total SO <sub>2</sub> before bottling: 30 ppm No other additions; no fining or filtration
<i>Fun Fact</i>	The label shows a historically accurate painting of Mt St Helens erupting in the 1840s. It's a nod to local history, to the volcanism that has so dramatically shaped our region – and to the May 18, 1980 eruption that I personally witnessed from a hilltop in Portland.