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Eola Hills Receives Praise from Wine Enthusiast for White Wines

Rickreall OR. – [Eola Hills Wine Cellars](#) is proud to announce a bevy of new white wine accolades from the esteemed reviewer, Paul Gregutt, of [Wine Enthusiast Magazine](#), slated to appear in the February/March double issue on sale starting February 16, 2021 and [online](#) now.

Longtime winemaker, [Steve Anderson](#), notes that while Pinot Noir has captured the hearts and attentions of many Willamette Valley wine lovers over the years, our region’s terroir creates the perfect playground for white wine production.

“Much ado is made about the finesse of red wines - in particular Pinot Noir. I feel there is a greater challenge in making a complex, refined white wine. Often lacking the tannins from the skins, due to whole cluster pressing, you have to hit the mark by properly determining what to plant and where, when to pick and how hard to press. Then it is up to me and my crew to protect its natural profile,” said Anderson.

Anderson began his career in winemaking as a cellar rat at Eola Hills Wine Cellars in 1993 and has been head winemaker since 2000. With a background in horticulture and a scientist at heart, his experimentation with growing and crafting various wine varietals and styles has led to Eola Hills Wine Cellars’ diverse portfolio including traditional method sparkling Müller-Thurgau, skin contact Pinot Gris, white Pinot Noir, and vineyard-designate Sauvignon Blanc and Gewürztraminer from the Eola-Amity Hills AVA.

Considered an early pioneer in the production of Pinot Gris, Eola Hills Wine Cellars is excited to see Willamette Valley representations of this beloved varietal continue to receive praise and recognition with its most recent release, [2019 Classic Pinot Gris](#), given 92 Points and a “Best Buy” rating.

New Wine Enthusiast Scores & Accolades

- 92 Points, “Best Buy” - [2019 Classic Pinot Gris](#) (\$14)
- 91 Points – [2018 Barrel Select Reserve Chardonnay](#) (\$25)
- 90 Points, “Best Buy” – [2019 Classic Gewürztraminer](#) (\$14)
- 90 Points, “Best Buy” - [2019 Classic Riesling](#) (\$14)
- 90 Points – [2017 Classic Chardonnay](#) (\$14)

Founded in Oregon’s Eola-Amity Hills in 1982 by former agricultural insurance specialist Tom Huggins, Eola Hills Wine Cellars’ story began as grape growers which quickly led to entering the Willamette Valley winemaking game with its first vintage in 1986. More than 30 years later, Eola Hills Wine Cellars is one of the state’s largest heritage wineries, with more than 300 acres of sustainably, dry-farmed vineyards. Still locally owned and operated and Eola Hills Wine cellars is rooted in its mission to create highly acclaimed wines at a great value.

About Eola Hills Wine Cellars. Est. 1986

Eola Hills Wine Cellars has been locally owned and operated since the early 1980s. Located in the Eola-Amity Hills AVA of Oregon's esteemed Willamette Valley, we own and manage more than 325 acres of sustainable, dry-farmed vineyards. Longtime Winemaker Steve Anderson crafts palate-friendly wines that reflect the mild, maritime climate combined with our region's mineral-rich volcanic and sedimentary soils, perfectly capture the spirit and flavors of Oregon. With two tasting rooms offering the rustic cellar experience and stunningly scenic vineyard views respectively, visit us to enjoy our award-winning wines at approachable prices.

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