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DOMAINE SERENE

## 2011 COEUR BLANC

*Passion and Commitment led Ken and Grace Evenstad to Oregon, more than two decades ago. Propelled by a desire to produce the world's best Pinot Noir, they founded Domaine Serene in Dundee Hills, located in the Northern Willamette Valley, where Oregon Pinot Noir began - and where its heart remains today.*



### PRESTIGE COLLECTION

Our goal was to create a new expression of Pinot Noir and to present a truly unique offering: World-class Pinot Noir as a white wine. Coeur Blanc is an extremely special and limited production barrel-fermented white wine made from fully mature, 100% estate-grown Pinot Noir grapes.

### WINEMAKER NOTES

In the weeks preceding harvest, we spend time looking for perfect Coeur Blanc grapes across our Estate vineyard blocks. At harvest, ripe, estate-grown Pinot Noir is hand-picked and carefully sorted to ensure that only the most perfect clusters are used for this wine. The hand selected grapes are then gently whole-cluster pressed, limiting contact with the grape skins so that only the purest essence, or “white heart” juice is expressed. The resulting juice is barrel fermented in French oak and aged on the lees for 13 months prior to bottling. The 2011 vintage has a wonderfully effusive aroma profile, with notes of white peach, chamomile, anise, white rose and citrus.

### VINTAGE NOTES

The 2011 vintage got off to a slow start, with both bud break and flowering being several weeks later than normal in one of the cooler growing seasons on record. While the growing season got off to a late start, we had a very moderate summer and terrific ripening conditions in September. The first part of October was a touch unnerving, as we had a fair bit of rainfall across with region. In the second half of October, Mother Nature was far more cooperative than we could have hoped for, as sunny and dry skies moved into the area for two weeks – just in time for everything to get started. We were very pleased with the outcome as the wines from 2011 offer wonderful and enticing fruit characters with very balanced and elegant textural profiles.

Eric Kramer, Winemaker

Grace & Ken Evenstad, Proprietors