

# 2017 MATRIX Umpoua Valley

PRAYER ROCK VINEYARDS

### VINTAGE

After a few dry winters, the 2016-17 winter provided ample rain and snowpack statewide. The winter gave way to a relatively cool and wet spring compared to the last few years. As a result, bud break started closer to normal in mid-April. The spring warmed up with record heat in late May that initiated flowering. Flowering was complete and produced a very good fruit set. July ramped up the heat moving the vintage rapidly to véraison. August 2017 was the warmest August on record in the state may have delayed ripening in some varieties.

#### VINEYARD

~ Oregon Wine Board

Grapes were 100% grown and hand harvested at Reustle-Prayer Rock Vineyards; a 200 acre property (40 vineyard acres) in a cool region of the Umpqua Valley. On the property are two south-facing hillsides, named Prayer Rock and Romancing Rock Vineyards, with steep hillside slopes (ranging from 15-40%). The nearby **Umpqua River** creates cool evening temperatures, and ripening period diurnal differences of 30-40 degrees, which helps maintain natural acidity and promotes intense flavor development.

### WINEMAKING

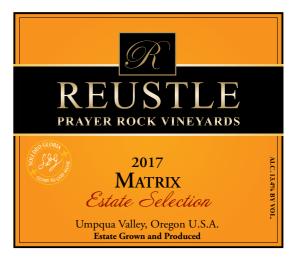
Grapes were whole-cluster pressed and innoculated in stainless steel tanks. Fermentation temperatures were kept cool to maintain fruit aromas and character. Aged for 6 months sur lie in stainless steel and Oak, and aged an additional 12 months in bottle before release.

Blended with:

13% Roussanne	24% Muscat
8% Chardonnay	10% Viognier
36% Semillon	9% Riesling

**PRESS HIGHLIGHTS:** 2019 Savor NW - Double Gold 2019 Monterey Int'l Wine Competition - Gold (91 points)

**Peach** balanced green tea Tropical Fruit acidity Honeysuckle Quince Fresh floral Ripe Fruit



## **TECHNICAL DATA**



Brix @ Harvest:	22.5
Harvest Date:	Early October
Alcohol:	13.4%
Fermented In:	80% Stainless Steel
	10% American Oak
	10% French Oak
Residual Sugar:	1%

Residual Sugar: Cases Produced: 300



### VINEYARD DATA

Elevation:	460 - 660'
Aspect/Slope:	South-facing,
	5-40% slope
Vine Age:	8-14 Years
Soil Types:	Oakland, Pengra, &
	Sutherlin Silt Loam

