



A HISTORY ROOTED IN FAMILY TRADITION

Mark Vlossak had an unusual upbringing. His father was a wine educator and importer who instilled his passion for wine in Mark at the tender age of seven years old. Mark's mother trained under a master chef and prepared meals to accompany the wines they were tasting. Together, his parents showed him the beauty of the partnership between food and wine and how one served to elevate the other.

Mark began St. Innocent Winery in the Willamette Valley in 1988 and quickly established himself as one of the premier winemakers in the area, finding sites that had potential to produce wines with a true sense of place. Today, under Mark's leadership, the winery continues to produce outstanding wines from esteemed sites within the Willamette Valley. Our estate vineyard was planted in 2018 and we expect to harvest our first fruit in 2022. Vickianne Vlossak's daughter Makenzie has spent the last several years working harvests in Oregon and Germany and is training with Mark to eventually take over the reins at St. Innocent. Our winery produces critically acclaimed Pinot Noir, Chardonnay, Pinot Blanc, and Riesling, along with a small program devoted to sparkling wines produced in the traditional method.

KEY MILESTONES

1959 - Mark is introduced to wine by his father, John I(nnocent) Vlossak - he likes it and begins tasting wine nightly at dinner with his family.

1987-1989 - Mark apprentices under Fred Arterberry Jr., the first Oregonian to make vineyard-designated Pinot noir and the first person to make Oregon sparkling wine.

1988 - St. Innocent, Ltd. is founded, and Mark produces his first vintage under the St. Innocent label. 600 cases are produced from Seven Springs Vineyard, divided between sparkling Brut, Pinot noir and Chardonnay.

1991 - 1989 Pinot noir, O'Connor Vineyard receives one of 4 Gold Medals in the Oregon State Fair. It is the second bottling of Pinot noir under the St. Innocent label.

1994 - Mark produces the Wine Advocate's first Oregon 94-point wine. Many more of his wines achieve this score in years to come.

2016 - Wine Enthusiast publishes "Five Great Oregon Vineyards Worth Knowing." St. Innocent is the only winery to produce wine from all five vineyards profiled. Mark resumes sparkling wine production.

2018 - The winery buys land and establishes Enchanted Way Vineyard, a 47-acre property in the South Salem Hills. 16 acres of Chardonnay and Pinot noir vines are planted. Mark designs a new winery and begins construction, finally realizing his goal to be a "vigneron" in the French tradition.

2021 - Makenzie Holley makes her first wine, a skin contact Pinot gris.