In 1991, while Randy and Kim Coleman were beginning their 4 year journey exploring California and Oregon properties in search of a site with terroir conducive to Pinot Noir, the Hand family was tending to infant Willamette Valley Pinot Noir and Pinot Gris vines. The Colemans purchased the Hand property in 1996, selling grapes to established wineries. After transitioning from sunny California beaches to the striking Oregon terrain, the Colemans made their debut on the burgeoning Oregon wine scene with their 1999 Pinot Noir. They quickly developed a wine style heavily influenced by the Oregon coastal weather at the mouth of the Van Duzer corridor. As the second oldest winery in the area, the Colemans were early founders of the McMinnville AVA. Coleman’s first wine review with the Wine Advocate scored 90 points, and national distribution commenced in 2001. Today, Coleman wines can be found across the country with an ever growing presence.

**THE WHO AND HOW:** Randy and Kim attended UC Davis enology and viticulture courses. With Kim’s undergrad & graduate studies in food science, nutrition, and biology, they rapidly applied her science background to viticulture and winemaking, learning on the job and utilizing the experience of winemakers who sourced grapes from Coleman Vineyard. Randy, with an industrial background, made everything happen. Kim jokes that their kid’s childhood memories during the holiday season are as much about the smell of fermenting wine barrels as Christmas carols and gingerbread.

From rich Jory soil, the Colemans attend to every aspect of their plants’ growing season, allowing them to farm sustainably and craft wines that respect the site. From the vineyards, the grapes are brought to the winery where Winemaker Kim Coleman oversees every aspect of processing and fermentation, and Randy oversees the vineyard and winery operations.

**COLEMAN WINES:** The Coleman label includes Estate Pinot Noir and Pinot Gris, along with Chardonnay, Syrah, and Pinot Noir sourced from select vineyards.

**VINEYARD:** Originally planted in 1991, the estate vineyard is 16 acres of Pinot Noir Pommard and Dijon clones, and 7 acres of Pinot Gris.

**GEOLOGY:** Coleman Vineyard was chosen as one of 36 sites in Yamhill County for a detailed soil analysis by the U.S. Geological Survey in 2006. The soils include Jory, Yamhill, and Peavine of volcanic basalt and sedimentary origin.

**TASTING ROOMS:**
- Coleman Tasting Room at the Vineyard
- Wine tasting and events.
- Coleman Tasting Room-Wine Bar at Ten Oaks
  Located in a historic craftsman house across from Linfield College. Along with the Coleman tasting room, the Gallery at Ten Oaks features local art works, artist seminars, and wine-paired events.

**CELLAR CLUB:** Membership includes wine shipments, tastings, and events.