



## Sokol Blosser

DUNDEE HILLS, OREGON

*Est. 1971*

Sokol Blosser is one of the pioneering estates of the Oregon state wine industry. In 1971 when Bill Blosser and Susan Sokol Blosser began converting an old prune orchard into a vineyard they became one of five bonded wineries in the region. In the ensuing decades Oregon's wine industry has grown (today there are over 500 wineries), changed and blossomed with Sokol Blosser at the forefront. Leading by example in their quest to produce exceptional wines while also promoting social and environmental responsibility.

Sokol Blosser quickly gained international recognition for their wines receiving multiple gold medals at the International Wine & Spirits Competition in London in 1979. The winery continues to garner excellent press today. However, just as important is the desire to protect and preserve the environment. Long before sustainability became a buzz word in the wine industry Sokol Blosser have been implementing vineyard and winery practices with an eye towards future generations. In 1981 Sokol Blosser Vineyards was honored by the U.S. Soil and Water Conservation District because of Susan's innovative work with experimental cover crops to control erosion on hillside vineyards. In 1996 Sokol Blosser became the first winery to be certified "Salmon-Safe" by the Pacific Rivers Council and 1997 saw the estate join Low Input Viticulture and Enology (LIVE) a third party sustainability program run and audited by Oregon State University. Naturally, the next step was conversion to organic viticulture which began in 2002 and was completed in 2005. 2002 also saw the completion of the first LEED Certified winery building in the United States. Most recently Sokol Blosser achieved B corporation certification in 2015.

Today the estate is run by Bill and Susan's children – Alex and Alison Sokol Blosser, acting as Co-Presidents. Alex is the winery's fourth winemaker, having worked with all of the previous winemakers and Alison is the CEO. Both are wonderful stewards of the Sokol Blosser legacy. Deeply committed to not just Sokol Blosser, but the entire Oregon Wine Industry's success. Allison is a board member for both Oregon Pinot Camp and founding board member of the Dundee Hills Winegrowers Association.

The winery's beautiful hillside vineyards produce lovely, balanced wines that are reflective of the region's unique terroir. Sokol Blosser encapsulates everything which Trialto values in a partner. They are an exceptional representation of People, Place and Time.

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