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Oregon winery Gran Moraine was founded by Barbara Banke and her family in 2014 and is located in Willamette Valley, Oregon.

The Pinot Noir and Chardonnay vineyards are nestled in the Yamhill-Carlton AVA, the northern part of the Willamette Valley that was cut away by the cataclysmic floods that occurred during the last ice age. Gran Moraine takes its name from those giant glacial dams that cut away the valley. The vineyards consist of ancient marine sedimentary-based soils that enjoy Mediterranean weather patterns.

The Gran Moraine vineyard, planted in 2005 with several of the best recognized Dijon clones for Pinot Noir (667, 777, 115) and Chardonnay (76, 75, 95) is located in the western part of the Yamhill-Carlton AVA, exposing the vines to cooling afternoon breezes that roll off the Pacific. The wines embody the confluence of these elements, which create a perfect

setting to craft classic Burgundian varieties – Pinot Noir and Chardonnay.

Shane Moore, Eugenia Keegan and Ken Kupperman are key members of the team, bringing international expertise in viticulture and winemaking to the Willamette Valley and to these wines.

Yamhill-Carlton Pinot Noir expresses its terroir with huckleberry, black and red fruits on the nose and balanced, powerful and elegant berry flavours with impressive tannins and a lengthy finish.

Yamhill Carlton Chardonnay is a small production wine drawn from the estate. A classically structured Chardonnay with subtle hints of citrus and stone fruit framed by firm acids and tannins.

