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2018 Accolades – Feature Stories, Reviews, Mentions

- **Pat Hellberg (Pat The Wine Guy)** 8/10 Pat's tours, tastes and interviews in this short fun YouTube Video at the winery: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=myA7fL9UhLI>
- **Pat the Wine Guy (YouTube)** 7/23 Pat visits and records David's tasting room tip for KATU TV and his newsletter. Here's the link to his YouTube channel video: <https://bit.ly/2JO9Dww>
- **Ken Inlow (Oregon Grapevine Radio)** July 2018 David Bellows holds forth on the role of science and experimentation in Vidon winemaking, in this non convention podcast: <https://t.co/Rz77VWPpoc>
- **Wendy Baune (Wine | Travel | Eats)** 6/12 Wen visits Vidon Vineyard and reviews her Willamette Valley trip on behalf of *Wine Travel Eats*, Napa Valley <http://ow.ly/m80R30kweR5>
- **Neal & Alyse Stone (Winery Wanderings)** 6/11 Neal & Alyse visit, tour, taste, learn about the science of making wine, and make friends with Mr. Studley <http://ow.ly/KA8630kwirg>
- **Michelle Williams (Rockin Red Blog)** 5/29 Michelle prepares for IPNC by covering small family wineries in the pre-visit article: <https://rockinredblog.com/2018/05/29/willamette-valley-makes-wine-family-style/>
- **Rusty Gaffney (Prince of Pinot)** 5/12 Rusty releases his annual review of Willamette Valley Pinots. The 2015 wines are included: <http://www.princeofpinot.com/article/2061/>
- **Howard Hewitt (HowardHewitt.net)** 4/21 Includes winemaker quotes for his small winery challenges articles appearing in 2 Indiana newspapers – [Journal Review](#) and [Tribune Star](#). He writes multiple articles on his blog page including [Investors not all bad for small wineries](#), and [More from boutique Oregon winemakers](#).
- **Terry Hill (Texas Wineaux)** 3/21 Texas Terry & Mrs. Hill visit Vidon and tell tall tales of their Willamette Valley tasting and touring: <http://ow.ly/bwJ430j5vlp>
- **Wine Business Monthly** February 2018 *WBM* Selects Vidon as a 2018 "Hot Brand" for its 2015 Explorer Tempranillo, named after the satellite program 38, 39, & 40 Don worked on.

- **JoAnn Actis-Grande (Taste of the Seacoast and Coastal Living Magazines)** 2/22 JoAnn reviews the Oregon Chardonnay Celebration and features Vidon Vineyard <https://t.co/bcjQqKXbG6> Article is picked up by Wine Business Monthly, Fosters.com and other syndicated outlets
- **Andy Perdue and Eric Degerman (Tri-City Herald)** 2/20 Vidon is included in this article about Oregon Pinot Noir and the 2014 Brigita Pinot is featured: <http://ow.ly/DJyk30iz3gr>
- **JoAnn Actis-Grande (Taste of the Seacoast and Coastal Living Magazines)** 1/20/18 JoAnn includes her winery visit, tastings and shares her experience in this Willamette Valley round-up article with readers of these print and digital publications <https://t.co/Fh26mhIO11>
- **Miki & Elizabeth (The Vineyard Trail)** They cover Don's story... from NASA scientist to Oregon wine on their website and newsletter: <http://ow.ly/CGnc30hscsv>
- **John & Irene Ingersoll (Topochines Wine Shop)** 12/7 John & Irene write about their visit to Vidon Vineyard and tasting with the PhDs <http://ow.ly/wm1R30h5u6L>
- **Hope S. Philbrick (Getaways for Grownups)** 11/20 Hope reviews Willamette Valley wines in her mixed case feature "13 Tasty Sips" <http://ow.ly/kQzC30gQujd>
- **Michelle Williams (The Daily Meal, national and Rockin Red Blog, Dallas)** 11/20/2017 Michelle includes the Willamette Valley region and the 2015 Vidon Vineyard Chardonnay in her annual Thanksgiving Wines Report: <http://ow.ly/kPpj30gHMQP>
- **Wine Business Monthly (People Section)** November 2017 Features both Don & David
- **Pam Heiligenthal (The Oregonian)** 11/3 "Outstanding" and "Excellent" reviews reported in The Oregonian: <https://t.co/xiupVqaTuu>
- **Fredric Koepfel (Bigger Than Your Head)** 10/28 Fredric includes Vidon wines in his annual Willamette Valley roundup article: <https://t.co/NkUCPbtieT>
- **Dan Johnson & Chas Stiltner (Wine Is Serious Business)** 9/22 Dan & Chas taste with Don & David in this intriguing pre-harvest video: [Wine Is SeriousBusiness 316: Vidon Vineyards With Don Hagge and David Bellows](http://ow.ly/WineIsSeriousBusiness316:VidonVineyardsWithDonHaggeandDavidBellows)
- **Miki Finin & Elizabeth Camp (The Vineyard Trail)** 9/13 Their winery visit is featured in "Tales of Northern Willamette Wine Trails" article on [Oregon Wine Country's](http://ow.ly/OregonWineCountry) website and [The Vineyard Trail](http://ow.ly/TheVineyardTrail) Blog, as well as a Wine Wednesday Special Edition newsletter.
- **Rusty Gaffney (Pinotfile)** 9/5 Rusty visits Don, get his background story and tastes through the lineup during IPNC week: <http://ow.ly/SCov30eXN48>
- **JoAnn Actis-Grande (Seacoast Magazine)** 8/17 JoAnn presents "Wines soaring high in the sky" for Eclipse weekend, an article featuring Don & David: <http://ow.ly/JNmn30euIPd>

- **Barb Randall (Willamette Valley Wineries)** 7/29 Barb unveils her new book “Images of Modern America” which includes the winery at her book signing <https://www.barbarasmithrandall.me/>
- **Chuck Hill (Wines Northwest)** 7/30 Chuck does a nice review of the 2016 Pinot Gris: http://www.winesnw.com/chuckhill_lastweeks_reviews.htm
- **Eric Degerman (Great Northwest Wine)** 7/10 Ranks the 2015 Apollo Chardonnay as Outstanding, their highest rating: <http://ow.ly/CkM030dAbd0>
- **Wine Business Monthly** 6/30 David Bellows appointment as winemaker is featured online <https://www.winebusiness.com/people/?go=getPeopleArticle&dataId=186535>, and in 7/6 email news, and will be featured in the September print edition “People” section.
- **Wine Industry Network** 6/30 David Bellows appointment as winemaker is featured today: <http://www.wineindustryadvisor.com/2017/06/30/vidon-vineyard-doubles-phd-winemakers>
- **Neal Hulkower (American Wine Society)** 6/1 The unedited version of Neal’s article (which originally appeared in Oregon Wine Press) featuring Don’s NASA career and the space program wines is published on this site: <http://www.americanwinesociety.org/blogpost/1167644/277517/Rocket-scientist-celebrates-earlier-career-with-wine-release>
- **Ken’s Wine Guide** 5/29 The 2014 3-Clones Pinot Noir receives 92 points from the KWG panel: <https://t.co/i8aBfg0vB6>
- **Rusty Gaffney (Pinotfile)** 5/6/17 Includes the 2015 Estate and Apollo Chardonnays in his Oregon review. The wines score 88 and 92 points respectively: <http://ow.ly/Kn0o30bxnsd>
- **Vogue Magazine** 5/3 NYC. Vidon Wines are mentioned in the article about the Annual Pioneer Works Village Fete Charity <http://ow.ly/UXUx30bzKvN>
- **The Vineyard Trail** May 2017 Miki & Elizabeth visit Willamette Valley, write winery travel previews, tour & taste onsite and post their trail experiences: <https://t.co/9m2LG4AIWY>
- **Joe Vithayathil (Fox 12 News Oregon)** 3/8 Joe visits with the Fox 12 morning news and produces this “On the Go with Joe” segment featuring Don, his NASA background and new space exploration wines: <http://ow.ly/wEOV309WVeM>
- **Great Northwest Wine** 3/8 Reviews the 2014 Estate Chardonnay: <http://www.vidonvineyard.com/> and awards an Excellent rating.
- **Yakima Herald** 3/8 Another article from Eric Degerman <http://ow.ly/kkVF309KknJ>
- **The Bellingham Herald** 3/7 Eric Degerman blind tastes and includes the Vidon 2013 Mirabelle 115 Pinot as an “Outstanding” wine in this NW Wines article: <http://www.bellinghamherald.com/living/food-drink/article135884913.html>

- **Herald Net (Everett, WA)** Eric's article appears again in this Everett newspaper: <https://www.heraldnet.com/life/eight-wines-that-rated-outstanding-in-recent-tastings/>
- **Tri-City Herald** 3/1 Eric Degerman blind tastes and includes the Vidon 2013 Mirabelle 115 Pinot as an "Outstanding" wine in this NW Wines article: <http://www.bellinghamherald.com/living/food-drink/article135884913.html>
- **Great Northwest Wine** 3/4 Eric reviews the 2013 Brigita 777 Clone Pinot Noir and says its "Excellent". Read the review here: <http://ow.ly/pwJm309OC05>
- **Wine Weirdos** 2/27 The Weirdos review the 2014 3-Clones Pinot Noir on their YouTube channel: <https://youtu.be/XFcBdoDeNh8>
- **Great Northwest Wine** 2/25 Eric reviews the 2013 Hans Clone Pommard Pinot Noir and says its "Outstanding", their highest rating: <http://ow.ly/Vq6J309rK50>
- **LM Archer (BK Wine Magazine)** 2/20 Paris, France. Lyn's interview with Don gets picked up by this Paris based wine magazine: <http://ow.ly/f8KV309PyKb>
- **Great Northwest Wine** 2/16 Eric reviews the 2013 Mirabelle 115 Estate Pinot Noir and provides an "Outstanding" rating: <https://t.co/aH3gnmKApj>
- **Anatoli Levine (Talk-A-Vino)** 2/15 The Passion and Pinot Noir series wraps up with winemaker photos and Willamette Valley Wineries Association closing the series with the final Q&A <https://t.co/s5grmOwFLa>
- **Wine Weirdos** 2/9 Video review of 2014 3-Clones Pinot: <https://t.co/4LuxM3T7tU>
- **Wines & Vines** February 2017 features Don and Space Exploration Program wines release in the Wine Industry News print edition, page 24. <http://ow.ly/QvT7308Jz0j>
- **Neal Hulkower (Oregon Wine Press)** February 2017 Neal visits and interviews Don about his NASA experience and upcoming "Space Program" wines release. The article is scheduled for both print and online publication <http://ow.ly/KSYa308CTae>
- **Northwest Travel Magazine** February 2017 Allen Cox visits and includes Vidon Vineyard in his "Hidden Wineries" print edition of Willamette Valley article: <http://nwtravelmag.com/discover-4-hidden-wineries-willamette-valley-oregon/>

- **Peter Mitham (Wines & Vines)** 1/12 Peter interviews Don and features Vidon Winery in an article on “Succession Strategy”: <http://ow.ly/VQ6p307Wlaq>
- **Wine Industry Insight and Wine Business Monthly** 1/12 Both trade publications pickup the Lyn Archer Interview (1/10/17) and Wines & Vines article (1/12/17).
- **Wine Industry Network** 1/10/17 Posts the Space Labels Press Release on their website and newsletter: <http://ow.ly/6NQO307SBtS>
- **Wine Business Magazine** 1/10/17 Posts the Space Labels Press Release on their website and newsletter. They are considering Vidon for a Hot Brands feature! <https://www.winebusiness.com/newReleases/?go=getArticle&dataid=178828>
- **Northwest Travel Magazine** - February 2017 Allen Cox includes Vidon Vineyard in his “Hidden Wineries of Willamette Valley” article in the digital edition.
- **Lyn Archer (binNotes)** 1/10/17 Lyn interviews Don and asks some detailed questions about his wine background, philosophy and future plans. The article will be republished by BK Magazine, a European wine outlet: <http://ow.ly/Y4yL307St9L>
- **Anatoli Levine (Talk-A-Vino)** 12/31 The 2015 Chardonnay takes the #3 spot on the Top 12 Wines of 2016 List: <http://ow.ly/xPIR307COcp>
- **Rusty Gaffney (Pinotfile)** 12/26 Rusty includes the 2013 Mirabelle Clone 115 on the 2016 Oregon Pinot Noir All-American list: <http://ow.ly/Qfwh307snVa>
- **Josh Reynolds (Vinous)** December 2016 Vidon picked up some great scores including: 92 Points - 2014 Hans; 91 Points – 2014 Brigita, 2014 Mirabelle and 2013 Hans; 90 Points – 2014 3 Clones Pinot Noir: Click here: <http://ow.ly/ASnO307uhO8>
- **Catherine Fallis (Planet Grape)** 11/30 90 Point review for the 2014 Hans Pommard Pinot Noir - Expressive, lively and lightly chewy with notes of cranberry, strawberry, red cherry, pink rose and rhubarb. <http://ow.ly/fGuU307unoM>
- **Harvey Steiman (Wine Spectator)** 11/23/16 Harvey gives the Vidon Vineyard 2014 3-clones Pinot Noir, Chehalem Mountains an “Excellent” rating in this Members Only Newsletter. Here’s the rating and review: **94 points | \$40 | 710 cases made | Red** *Sleek and harmonious, open-textured and transparent, letting the raspberry, pomegranate, rose petal and spice flavors dance through a long and inviting finish. Drink now through 2024.— H.S.*

- **Rusty Gaffney (PinotFile)** 11/19 Rusty reviews the 2014 3-Clones and (3) Single Clone Pinot Noirs. All receive 90-92 points: <http://ow.ly/sNPD306sBln>
- **Paul Gregutt (Wine Enthusiast)** December 2016 Issue. The 2015 Chardonnay received 91 points! <http://ow.ly/jQA13068orf>
- **Mary Cressler (Vindulge)** 10/23 Mary includes three Vidon Pinot Noirs in her “Fall Wine Finds” article – 2013 Hans, Brigita and 3 Clones: <http://ow.ly/tusC305RrEe>
- **Viki Eierdam (The Columbian News)** 9/30 Viki visits, tours, tastes and interviews Don about his background prior and viewpoint of the wine business today: <https://t.co/zps75fSrRF>
- **Anatoli Levine (Talk-A-Vino)** CT. 9/17 Anatoli interviews Don and asks some well thought out questions about his background, life philosophy and time in the wine business: <http://ow.ly/ZsAa304OHdr>
- **Rusty Gaffney (Pinotfile)** 8/29 The Prince of Pinot reviews Vidon’s current release Pinot Noirs and issues scores of 91-94 points: <http://ow.ly/DyuC303Usl5>
- **Wine Weirdos** 8/18 The Weirdos do a YouTube wine review of the 2012 Vidon Maresh Vineyard Pinot Noir: <http://ow.ly/TI7e303AvDo>
- **Linfield College (Oregon Wine History Archives)** 8/15 This YouTube interview is with Don Hagge, the owner of Vidon Vineyard. The former NASA Scientist talks about his journey to wine, innovations at the winery and the future of Oregon wine: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_ZzbyP18CBk&feature=youtu.be
- **Gabe Sasso (The Daily Meal)** 7/18 Gabe visits Don at Vidon Vineyard and reviews the 2012 Mirabelle Pinot Noir as a stellar example of 155 clone for his national wine column: <http://www.thedailymeal.com/drink/oregons-willamette-valley-paradise-pinot-noir-and-more>
- **Erin Lynch (Platings & Pairings)** 7/13 Erin and her Posse’ visit Vidon and experience Don and Vidon in person: <http://www.platingsandpairings.com/vidon-vineyard-wine-tasting-winewednesday/>
- **Wine Enthusiast Magazine** 7/6 The 2012 Maresh Pinot Noir scores 93 points and Editor’s Choice in this review by Paul Gregutt: <http://ow.ly/hn4O301Zpy6>
- **Wine Enthusiast Magazine** 7/6 The 2013 Brigitta 777 Clone Pinot Noir received 91 Pts: <http://ow.ly/JQRu3028x8h> And the Hans Pommard Clone Pinot Noir scored 91 Points <http://ow.ly/Plqw3028w15> in these reviews from Paul Gregutt.
- **Wine Enthusiast Magazine** 7/6 The 2014 3-Clone Pinot Noir gets 90 Pts in this review from Paul Gregutt: <http://ow.ly/RXSa3028yRw>

- **Great Northwest Wine** 6/20 Nice review by Andy & Eric from Great Northwest Wine of our 2013 3-Clone <http://ow.ly/1cbX301sGFH>
- **Fredric Koepfel** (Bigger Than Your Head) 4/2 Reviews and rates both 2011 & 2013 3 Clones Pinot Noirs as “Excellent”: <https://t.co/HaiDEV71qx>
- **Barb Randall (Pamplin Publications)** 3/17 Barb visits, tours and tastes with Don and learns his extensive background as a scientist, inventor and winemaker. Check out the Easter wine pairings: <http://pamplinmedia.com/lor/297807>
- **Mike Landucci (Wine Weirdos)** 2/26 Mike enjoys the 2014 Pinot Gris as an alternative to Chardonnay. Lemon pie, Alsatian style: <http://ow.ly/YOAjf>
- **Meg Maker (Maker’s Table)** 2/15 Meg writes about sustainably made Oregon Pinot Noir and includes Vidon 2011 & 2013 3 Clones in the article. The article is picked on on 2/17 by Wine Business Monthly – both daily email and home page: <http://www.makerstable.com/2016/02/oregon-pinot-noir-sustainably-made.html>
- **Katie Kelly Bell (Forbes)** 2/10 Katie includes Vidon Vineyard’s 2013 3 Clones Pinot Noir in her Lamb and Pinot Noir article: <http://ow.ly/YCGnh>
- **Taylor Eason (TaylorEason.com)** 1/25 Taylor loves the 2011 Willamette Valley vintage and features Vidon’s 3 clones in her article: <http://ow.ly/XE35Z>
The article was also republished 2/10 on [Wine LoversPage](#), and on 2/15 on Sean Ludford’s, Beverage Experts website BevX.com
- **Terry & Kathy Sullivan (Wine Travel Travelers)** 12/15 Terry & Kathy visit, tour and taste with Don and include their experience at Vidon Vineyard in the Willamette Valley section of the WTT website: <http://winetrailtraveler.com/oregon/vidon.php>
- **Mike Landucci (Wine Weirdos)** 12/2 Mike reviews the 2013 Hans Pommard Pinot Noir with Don on YouTube: <https://youtu.be/lkDCrohIXHE>
- **Jana Seitzer (Merlot Mommy)** 11/15 Jana reviews the 2013 3 Clones Pinot Noir: <http://merlotmommy.com/2013-chehalem-mtns-3-clones-pinot-noir/> and includes it in her Thanksgiving Wine Pairing Suggestions and Buy Guide: <http://merlotmommy.com/thanksgiving-wine-pairing-suggestions-2015/>
- **Josh Raynolds (Vinous)** October 2015. 90 point scores for the 2012 Brigita 777, Hans Pommard and Barrel Select Pinot Noirs
- **Paul Gregutt (Wine Enthusiast)** September 2015. 93 point scores for the 2012 Hans Pommard, 2011 Brigita 777, and 2010 Barrel Select: <http://ow.ly/Uf1e6>

- **Wine Business Monthly** 9/18 Wine Business.com picks up the Vidon Vineyards Wine Rewards Program to replace Wine Club press release:
<http://www.winebusiness.com/news/?go=getArticle&dataid=157783>
- **Wine Industry Advisor** 9/17 Picks up the Vidon Vineyard “Rewards Program” press release: <http://www.wineindustryadvisor.com/2015/09/17/vidon-vineyards-new-currency/>