## THE DIRT ON OREGON WINE



WHAT'S IN A NAME? The National Cooperative Soil Survey — a nationwide partnership of federal, regional, state and local agencies, and private entities and institutions that works together to cooperatively investigate, inventory, document, classify, interpret, disseminate and publish information about soils of the U.S. — has identified more than 20,000 different kinds of soils across the nation. Most soils are given a name — referred to as "soil series" — which generally comes from the locale where the soil was first mapped. For example, "Willakenzie" is coined from the general area near the confluence of the Willamette and McKenzie rivers in Lane County. Willakenzie is a signature soil north of its discovery zone in the Yamhill-Carlton AVA.