



## VINTAGE & WINEMAKING NOTES:

The 2021 vintage was nearly a perfect vintage, and whatever complaints we had about bloom have been completely forgotten with this year's frost. We had a delightful fall with slightly lower-than-normal yield, a great crew, and smooth native fermentations.

As usual we brought in fruit from Ash Creek, but we also added new fruit from Pauline Vineyard near Monmouth, some of which went into the higher blends. The Willamette Valley is 10% new oak this vintage. We keep fermentation temperatures down to create a light, classic pinot with a strong acid backbone.

## TASTING NOTES:

As you would expect, this one has cherry, strawberry, and plum, cola, graham cracker, and black tea. We find other interesting notes in the corners, including nectarine, white pepper, rosemary, and pea pod. It's 25% whole cluster.

# ILLAHE PINOT NOIR WILLAMETTE VALLEY 2021



## TECHNICAL DATA:

Cases produced: 8,900  
FSO2: 28 ppm  
pH: 3.44  
Titratable Acidity: 6.65  
Alcohol: 13.6%  
Soil: Shallow Sedimentary Clay  
Elevation: 250-450ft  
100% native fermentation  
Harvest date: 9/14-10/16  
Barrel aged: 10 months in 10% new french oak  
AVA: Willamette Valley  
89% Illahe Vineyards  
5% Goshie  
4% Cherry Hill  
1% Erratic Oaks  
1% Vitae Springs  
Notes: LIVE and Salmon Safe

SMALL LOTS  
BARREL AGED  
**HORSE  
DRAWN**  
WOODEN BASKET PRESSED



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