

VINTAGE NOTES:

In 2021 we had rainstorm during bloom in June that made our crop yield a little lower than anticipated. We also had record breaking high temperatures one weekend this Summer for the Willamette Valley. Thankfully these heat spikes were short lived and by the Fall temperatures were very mild. We had no rain during harvest, allowing optimal ripening and flavor development. 2021 is turning out to be a great complex vintage.

WINEMAKING NOTES:

Our 1899 pinot noir was made without the use of modern winemaking equipment or electricity. We wanted to create a new world wine with a true sense of place that wasn't altered by modern technology. The grapes for this wine were picked by hand and brought up to the winery by horse. Once at the winery, the grapes were destemmed by hand and the placed into wooden fermenters. The must was fermented on native yeasts, after which it was pressed by hand in a wooden basket press, bicycle-pumped into barrel, and underwent malolactic fermentation without inoculation. We bottled with a gravity filler, corked by hand and manually applied the labels and wax.

The 1899 never touched dry ice, canned nitrogen, enzymes, stainless steel, forklifts, commercial yeast, electric pumps or filters. Every year we bring this wine to the Willamette river by stagecoach or bicycle from the winery, and canoe it 90 miles to Portland to our Oregon distributor's warehouse.

TASTING NOTES:

The old world methods used to produce this wine are reflected in its flavor, aroma, and texture. Aromas of burnt caramel, dried red fruits, blackberry jam, chocolate with brioche toast and earth with 5 spice and cinnamon.

1899 ESTATE PINOT NOIR 2021



TECHNICAL DATA:

Production: 325 cases

AVA: Willamette Valley

Winemakers: Brad Ford &

Nathan Litke

ABV: 13.5%

pH: unavailable

FS02: 32ppm

TA: unavailable

Bx at harvest 115 Montaigne block

- 23.5

Vineyard: Illahe Vineyards Soil: Sedimentary clay

Elevation: 250-450 feet Harvest date: 10/16/2021 100% Native fermentation

75% whole cluster

18 months in 100% new French oak

LIVE Certified grapes
Salmon Safe
Deep Roots Coalition (dry farmed)





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