

2021 WILLAMETTE VALLEY PINOT NOIR

This wine reflects the region's distinct textures, flavors and terroir, with beautiful elegance and balance. Since its inaugural vintage in 1998, the Penner-Ash winemaking team has drawn upon longstanding relationships with grower neighbors and friends, to source fruit from the most distinguished vineyards. The 2021 vintage explores five sub-AVAs, culminating in a Pinot Noir emblematic of the Willamette Valley, and of the Penner-Ash winemaking style – a textural experience from start to finish.



SUB-AVA	KEY VINEYARDS	SOILS	CHARACTERISTICS
Ribbon Ridge	Bramble Hill Vineyard Ridgecrest Vineyard	Sedimentary	Black fruit, spice, fresh earth
Yamhill-Carlton	Estate Vineyard Shea Vineyard	Sedimentary	Red and black fruits, tobacco, earth
Dundee Hills	Bella Vida Vineyard Élevée Vineyard	Basaltic 'Jory' Series	Red fruit, cola, spice notes, tea leaves
McMinnville	Aegrina Vineyard Hyland Vineyard	Sedimentary	Dark fruited, white pepper
Eola-Amity Hills	Zena Crown Vineyard Palmer Creek Vineyard	Basaltic and Sedimentary	Dark blue fruits, currant, violets, white pepper

2021 VINTAGE

The 2021 growing season started relatively warm and dry, with an early heat event in May. An abnormal cool front in June was followed by a major heat dome leading us into one of the warmest growing seasons on record. Warm temperatures continued throughout the summer and September rains gave the vines the last drink of water before harvest.

TASTING NOTES

Aromas of spiced raspberries and ripe Hood strawberries gently fold into warm vanilla oak. Rainier cherry and cocoa provide a savory sweetness and weight on the palate leading to a lengthy finish.

ALCOHOL	BRIX	HARVESTED	TA	PH	AGING
14.1%	24.3	Sept 13 – Oct 2, 2021	5.6 g/L	3.56	10 months in 30% new French Oak

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