

Flavorscape

Unconstrained experimentation in the cellar has been happening for years. Skin contact white wines hiding in that corner. Perhaps Gamay Noir with carbonic maceration in the lone fermenter? Way in the back where no one can see, there are sparkling wines of varying extended disgorgement. These trials and experiences have been a continuing education allowing the creation of the refined Gran Moraine wines you know. **Come explore the Flavorscape universe.**

2024 GAMAY NOIR

pretty and playful

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The Lazy Gamay returns! This wine has been an exploration of the possible. How little can we contribute ourselves to a red wine? How can we let the fruit do the work of winemaking for us? These are the boundaries we've been testing in the creation of this wine. What started in 2018 as a trial in minimalism with Pinot noir brought us to the place of "Let's do this again, but with Gamay." We destem the fruit to allow purity, put it in a small tank with a pressure release lid on it, and then we did nothing for 19 days. We then pressed the fruit and racked to 10-year-old or older 228L French oak barrels and bottle after 10 months.

VINTAGE Harvest on September 21 from 31-year-old vines on Willakenzie soils produced balanced, pure Gamay ideal for this minimal-intervention style.

AROMAS Graphite, Himalayan blackberry, Lilac and rose petals, marigold and capers, milk chocolate, Madagascar black pepper, maraschino cherry, anise, peat moss.

FLAVORS Red raspberry, summer dust, dried cranberries, serviceberries, white sage, agave, bay leaf.

TEXTURE Fresh and refreshing. Light and lithe finishing with a touch of cleansing tannin followed by a long acid tailbone. Red fruit and earth components throughout.

VARIETAL 100% Gamay

AGING 19 days on skins, 10 months in very old French oak barrels

ALCOHOL 12.1%

VINEYARD WillaKenzie Estate, Yamhill-Carlton AVA

WINEMAKING Destemmed, 19-day no-intervention tank ferment; then pressed.

TA 6.40 g/L **pH** 3.37

Gran Moraine wines shine a light on the monologue of the Gran Moraine Vineyard, lifting its voice and vibrant energy through a signature style of elegance and restraint, with a fresh through-line of acidity. A style that has established the winery as a leader in the Willamette Valley.

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