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2021

## Cascade Pinot Noir

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Our 2021 Cascade Pinot Noir is pixilated and tight up front with a resinous spiciness that is broad yet has a constrained flow *like a quickly descending river*.

Beginning with bud-break around April 15th through May and into mid-June, there was hardly any rain. By June 15th canopy growth was good and flowering was setup for a normal timeline. At that point, the rains came, approximately 2", providing much needed moisture in the vineyards. Rain was followed by three days of record temperatures of 116 degrees, and a warm July and August led to an earlier than normal start to picking.

A relatively mild September with a slightly smaller than average crop set us up for an incredible harvest.

#### AROMAS

Boysenberry, maple sap, overripe blackberry, grilled flank steak, tangerine, rhubarb, molasses

#### FLAVORS

Thimbleberry, cranberry, celery seed, dandelion leaves, Campari, Red Vines licorice

#### TEXTURE

Red fruits crash into the tannin low, and then pull forward whilst barreling back with citrus on the top finish. Thus, creating a flavor vortex with a combination of cinnamon and clove.

#### HARVEST

September 16<sup>th</sup>, 2021

#### AGING

10 months in 50% new French oak barrels

#### CLONES

115, 667

#### ALCOHOL

13.7%

#### TA

0.56 g/100ml

#### PH

3.56

#### PRODUCTION

156 cases

#### OUR VINEYARD

Nestled in the eastern foothills of Oregon's Coastal Range, on the wild western edge of the Yamhill-Carlton AVA, the range's peaks to the west and south buffer maritime winds and rain from the Pacific Ocean, creating a more temperate growing season distinct from neighboring vineyard sites. Planted in 2005-2006 to Pinot Noir and Chardonnay Dijon clones, the 194-acre vineyard perches in thin marine sedimentary soils, and diversity of block exposures and elevation offer a diverse palette for our farming and winemaking team.

## THE SMOOTHNESS, THE SOUL, THE VIBE

Infinitely contemplable,  
and infinitely gulp able



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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