

## 2020 BOUNTEOUS WILLAMETTE VALLEY PINOT NOIR

## TASTING NOTES from THE WINDERLEA TEAM

Bright and lively aromatics of Rainier and Bing cherries combined with earth and baking spice. This wine shows weight on the palate without feeling heavy. Add flavors of dark cherry, plum, black raspberry with hints of earth and cedar to this wine's plush mouthfeel. While this wine is very approachable in its youth, fine tannins carry notes of cherry and dried herbs on this wine's lengthy finish.

## VINEYARD

Winderlea Vineyard - Dundee Hills AVA - Jory Soil South facing vineyard 320 feet to 580 feet elevation, in the heart of the Dundee Hills. Oldest vines planted in 1974. Currently planted to 8 different clones of Pinot noir.

Shea Vineyard AVA - Yamhill-Carlton AVA - Willakenzie Soil The Shea Vineyard has elevations of 400 to 600 feet in the Yamhill-Carlton AVA. The soils are marine sedimentary over fractured sandstone. Shea is 290 acres, 140 planted to Pinot noir, 15 to Chardonnay. Less than 24 winemakers get the opportunity to make a Shea wine.

Worden Hill Vineyard - Dundee Hills AVA - Jory Soil

This 50 acre site sits high atop the Dundee Hills with 24 acres of vines. Oldest vines planted in 1977. Demeter Biodynamic® certificated in 2021. The vineyard faces due south and sits at an average elevation of 650 feet. Volcanic Jory soil, with a narrow strip of volcanic Nekia running through the middle. Mostly planted to Pinot noir.

## 2020 HARVEST

A year we all will remember. Mother natural did serve us up some pretty ideal conditions for growing grapes with concentration and complexity. Less than ideal weather in the start greatly reduced grape and fruit set. Tiny berries and loose light cluster suggested a vintage with concentration and grip. The affects of wildfires played a factor in the harvesting and winemaking decisions.

VINEYARD: Winderlea, Worden Hill & Shea AVA: Willamette Valley (Dundee Hills | Yamhill-Carlton)

SELECTIONS: Pommard, Wadenswil, Dijon 115 & Dijon 667

HARVEST DATES: 9/4-9/9/21

AGING: 15 months, Neutral French oak

ALCOHOL | pH | TA: 13% | 3.44 | 5.8

BOTTLE DATE: 2/8/22 CASES PRODUCED: 592

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