



TASTING NOTES from THE WINDERLEA TEAM

A vibrant, rich expression of its vineyard, this wine opens with notes of juicy red fruit, plumeria, cherry cola, lavender and graham cracker. Bing cherry carries over to the palate, accented by almond skin, vanilla and ube. Fine tannins and poignant acidity lead to a wine of great depth and structure.

VINEYARD

Meredith Mitchell Vineyard is located in the McMinnville AVA. Formerly owned by Susan Meredith and her husband Frank Mitchell, this vineyard was planted in 1988 and expanded to 25 acres over the years. The vineyard is planted between 450-700 feet in elevation and is completely exposed to the Van Duzer corridor which allows the coast winds into the vineyard in the afternoon. Rated one of the top 5 vineyards in Oregon, the combination of own-rooted, high trellis mature Pommard vines and shallow, rocky, and broken uplifted basalt consistently produces intense Pinot noir with complex layers of aroma, flavor and structure. In addition to Pinot noir, there are 2 acres of Chardonnay and 2 acres of Pinot blanc. Certified Demeter Biodynamic® since 2018.

2021 HARVEST

A year we all will remember. Mother nature 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 effects of wildfire played a factor in the harvesting and winemaking decisions.



VINEYARD: Meredith Mitchell

AVA: McMinnville

SELECTIONS: Pommard

HARVEST DATES: 9/23/21

AGING: 13 months French oak, 10% new

ALCOHOL | pH | TA: 13.3% | 3.12 | 7.4

BOTTLE DATE: 12/14/22

CASES PRODUCED: 247