



CHEHALEM

2021 RESERVE PINOT NOIR

SRP: \$70 | 500 CASES PRODUCED

**DARK BERRIES
LEATHER
COMPLEX**



APPELLATION

Chehalem Mountains, Willamette Valley, Oregon

VINEYARD COMPOSITION

This Pinot Noir is a blend of 71% Chehalem Estate Vineyard and 29% Ridgecrest Vineyard, a majority of which is Pommard clone.

VARIETAL COMPOSITION

100% Pinot Noir

ÉLEVAGE

Carefully selected from the top 2021 vintage barrels in our cellar, our Reserve Pinot Noir was blended, racked, and returned to the original barrels to integrate before bottlings. 50% of the barrels were new French oak, before we allowed the wine to rest and harmonize in bottle for an additional year before release.

HARVEST

September 2021

ALCOHOL

13.2%

BOTTLING

April 2023

pH

3.43

TASTING NOTES FROM THE WINEMAKER

On the nose, this wine is dark and sophisticated, with aspects of leather and cola and a backbone of dark, dense berries. A hint of rich spice and aromas of cinnamon are lifted by a light, sweet kiss of vanilla bean. On the palate, this wine is elegant and finely structured with abundant complexity and soft, luxurious tannins. The finish is long and delicate, slowly whispering off your palate.

VINTAGE OVERVIEW

The 2021 growing season was warmer than average in the Willamette Valley, producing beautifully ripe fruit with vibrant flavors. A dry spring led to lingering rain showers during bloom, which reduced the yield in some blocks. Then, an abnormal heatwave spread across the valley, with temperatures reaching as high as 115 degrees Fahrenheit. Fortunately, the fruit prospered as high temperatures occurred between bloom and veraison when berries were hard and less sensitive to damage. Temperatures tapered off prior to harvest, with warm days and cool nights, which allowed the fruit to ripen at an even and slower pace. Quick yet seemingly smooth, harvest started on August 21 with little to no breaks until we finished on September 26. The resulting wines are balanced with focused flavors, stunning fruit, gorgeous vibrancy, and incredible aging potential.



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