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The Wine

N.C. 13.5% BY VOL

Designation: Pinot Noir Willamette Valley

Vintage: 2021

Produced: 950 cases
ABV: 13.5%

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Released: Autumn 2022

The Place

AVA: Willamette Valley

Vineyards: Cancilla*, Croft*, & Freedom Hill

Planted: 2001, 1994, & 1996

Density: 1800-2300 vines per acre

Soil: Melbourne & Belpine

Elevation: 350-650'

Exposure: Southeast through Southwest

Harvested: Mid-September, 2021

Farming: Dry-farmed, organic practices, and for

FHV: integrated pest management

Certification: *Organic (Oregon Tilth)

The Method

Yeast: Native

Extraction: Combination of twice-daily pump-

over or punchdown

Cuvaison: ~21 days

Elevage: 10 months

Oak Regimen: French barrels, 10% new

Winemaker Notes:

After the tribulations of 2020, we were glad to see that '21 only chose to try and roast us. Luckily, the heat dome in late June shut down the vines long enough to delay the effects of the early Spring—sufficient so that when the second heat event of early August arrived we had only just started veraison. Through it all we just crossed our fingers and said, "no smoke, please."

Rather than the usual equal mix of the three vineyards, the base of this wine is all of our Croft vineyard along with about 30% Cancilla, and 10% Freedom Hill. The richness of Croft comes through but it's buoyed with plenty of acid.

- Erin Nuccio



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