EVESHAM WOOD

The Wine

La Grive Bleue Designation:

Vintage: 2022

Produced: 220 cases ABV:

13%

Released: Spring 2024

The Place

AVA: **Eola-Amity Hills**

Vinevard: La Grive Bleue

Planted: 1996

Density: 2300 vines per acre

Jory & Woodburn Soil:

Elevation: 303-58'

East-southeast Exposure:

Harvested: Early-October, 2022

Farming: Dry-farmed using organic practices

Certification: Organic (Oregon Tilth)

The Method

Fruit Process Fully de-stemmed

Yeast: Proprietary "Jayer"

Twice-daily pumpover for three days Extraction:

followed by twice-daily punchdown

Cuvaison: 25 days

16 months Elevage:

Oak Regimen: French barrels, ~10% new

Winemaker Notes:

2020 tried to smoke us and '21 tried to roast us, but '22 tried to freeze us with March snows before budbreak and a hard frost following. While many of our hillside blocks made it through without loss, at lower elevations where those hills flatten out in Le Puits Sec. La Grive Bleue, and Torres Hill there was a notable reduction in yields. The parts of vineyards that didn't see any losses still suffered delays and harvest started at the end of Sept. and continued well into Oct. At this early point in their lives, the '22s are reminding us of a friendlier version of the 2010s.

While more savory than the Eola-Amity Hills Cuvee, this wine offeres fresh flowers (running from violets and jasmine to roses) atop cosmic crisp apples and blueberry compote. The very discrete fruits are balanced by fine tannins nicely punctuated with acid. - Erin Nuccio



