

EL PINO CLUB

El Pino Club is for Pinot fanatics: people like us who love this fickle, funky grape that flouts expectations and always surprises. Our curated, exceptional Pinots hail from the coastal corners of the world where this grape thrives. As individual cast members they are an ode to the lands and hands that produce them, and as an ensemble, they celebrate the full range and charm of this legendary varietal.

FUNKY JORY

Funky Jory is a love letter to the deep red Jory soil that defines the Dundee Hills growing region of Oregon's Willamette Valley. A lighter body with flavors of forest floor, bright red fruit and a mysterious minerality make this a classically Oregon Pinot with a big nod to the Old World.

VINTAGE

The 2022 vintage will be remembered for the challenging but rewarding growing season in the Willamette Valley. April frosts impacted much of our Northern Oregon vineyards in the Willamette Valley, reducing yields in some of our vineyards by as much as 30%. While the growing season was challenging in the spring, we were rewarded by a moderate summer and beautiful, dry autumn. Harvest began about 3 weeks later than 2021, starting in late September and finishing in October.

VINEYARDS

All the fruit for this wine comes from our estate vineyard in the Dundee Hills where our vines grow in - not surprisingly - red Jory soils. Rich in nutrients and high in clay content, this basalt-based volcanic soil produces Pinot Noirs with high acidity, softer tannings, and a red-fruit flavor profile.

TASTING NOTES

This wine opens with complex aromatics of black cherry, damp earth, and ripe strawberry with hints of baking spice and caramel from the sparing use of new French oak barrels. The finish is silky, long and seamless with soft tannins and rich mouthfeel, typical of Dundee Hills Pinot Noir.

WINE

Appellation: Dundee Hills

Varietal Composition: 100% Pinot Noir

Clones: 115, Wadenswil and Pommard

Aged for 16 months in 25% new French oak - Billon, Cadus, Treuil, Ermitage & Meyrieux barrels

TA: 6.1 g/L | pH: 3.4 | Alcohol: 14.5%

