

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 2021 vintage will be remembered in the Willamette Valley for record setting heat and dry conditions. Mild rain during bloom reduced the yields to slightly below average, but the precipitation helped our vines tolerate the unusually hot and dry summer. Harvest began a few weeks earlier than average, with our first Pinot Noir coming from the Dundee Hills AVA.

### **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, mulberry, sandalwood and a touch of baking spice from the sparing use of new French oak barrels. The finish is silky and long, 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 French oak barrels (20% new);

Sylvain, Rousseau & Ermitage barrels

TA: 5.0 g/L | pH: 3.65 | Alcohol: 14.5%

