



SOTER VINEYARDS

2021 Mineral Springs Ranch Pinot Noir

THE VINEYARD. Mineral Springs Ranch (MSR) is a 240-acre Biodynamic farm and vineyard in the heart of Oregon wine country. Mineral Springs Vineyard consists of 50 acres of Pinot Noir and Chardonnay situated along the ridge-line of the property. The combination of respectful farming, ancient marine soils, and temperate climate, result in wines that are layered, nuanced, and captivating while expressing their singular place of origin.

THE VINTAGE. The 2021 vintage had all the ingredients to make incredible wines: hot and dry weather, modest yields, and low disease pressure, critical in our consistently damp growing

region. Oregon broke records when in June, a normally wet and fickle month, brought a heat dome to the state blanketing the Willamette Valley in extreme temperatures. And all before there were even grapes on the vine! The trend continued throughout summer and finally cooled off in October, allowing the grapes vital hang-time to develop complex, mature tannins. The Pinot Noirs from this vintage are darkly colored and concentrated, with flavors of marionberry and blueberry. Delicate aromatics lift out of the glass and tease of violets and herbs. Pinot Noirs from this vintage will be remembered for their vibrancy and astounding longevity.

VARIETAL	100% Pinot Noir
VINEYARD / APPELLATION	Yamhill-Carlton Mineral Springs Vineyard
ALCOHOL	13.8%
PRODUCTION	2,400 cases
WINE MAKING	30 days extended maceration 40% new French oak Aged 12 months in barrel Aged 8 months in bottle

REFLECTIONS

The 2021 MSR Pinot Noir is the epitome of potential. It boasts an impressive structure, firm, grippy tannins linked by vibrant acidity. It has a core of dense red fruit comingled with notes of soft herbs and a subtle hint of cola spice. It's evident the full spectrum of this wine will unfold gradually rather than all at once. For those enjoying this Pinot Noir in its youth, we suggest decanting it to enhance the experience. However, if you're willing to exercise some patience, the reward will be truly gratifying.

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