

SOTER VINEYARDS | 2023

MINERAL SPRINGS RANCH PINOT NOIR



THE VINEYARD

Mineral Springs Ranch (MSR) is a 250-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 SEASON

A wet winter and spring delayed bud break until late April, aligning with some of the region's historically cool and damp vintages. However, May ushered in warm, sun-filled days with barely a cloud in sight. Bloom arrived in mid-June, with only trace amounts of rain, slightly reducing yields in some areas. Ripening progressed steadily, though veraison—the critical shift from energy growth to fruit maturation—took longer than anticipated. A warm, early harvest followed, bringing in fruit of exceptional quality under bright autumn skies, with spirits in the cellar soaring just as high.

THE WINE

The wine unfolds with a sappy core of pure red fruit—think fresh cherry, ripe cranberry, and a hint of wild raspberry. The wine's supple tannins provide a gentle grip, perfectly balanced by bright, lively acidity that carries the vibrant fruit through the finish. This harmonious interplay speaks to the vintage's warmth, lending richness without sacrificing the wine's hallmark finesse and energy.

VARIETY	100% Pinot Noir
APPELLATION	100% Willamette Valley
VINEYARD	100% Mineral Springs Vineyard
ALCOHOL	13.6%
PRODUCTION	2,543 Cases
CERTIFICATIONS	Biodynamic, Demeter Organic, CCOF
FERMENTATION and AGING	40 Days extended maceration 30% Whole cluster fermentation 45% New French oak Aged 12 months in barrel Aged 8 months in bottle