



2022 WILLAMETTE VALLEY AVA PINOT NOIR



Shaped by millions of years of plate subduction and volcanic activity, Oregon's Willamette Valley is one of the premier Pinot noir producing areas in the world. The Willamette Valley AVA was established in 1983, with the initial vineyard plantings beginning in 1966. This 100-mile long, 60-mile wide valley stretches between the Columbia River in the north, to just south of Eugene with the Oregon Coast Range in the west and the Cascade Mountains in the East. Due to the protection of the mountains on eastern and western boundaries, the Willamette Valley is a cooler climate region that provides for a long, gentle growing season, perfect for deliciously complex Pinot noir.

MOTHER ROCK: Marine Sediments & Volcanic Rock

SOIL SERIES: Willakenzie, Melbourne & Wellsdale, Nekia & Jory

VINEYARDS: All of the vineyards for this wine are located in the sub-AVA's of the Northern Willamette Valley AVA.

TASTING NOTES: A luscious core of red and blue fruits enveloped with hints of cedar, delicate violet, anise, and turned earth. The palate is exceptionally balanced with perfect natural acidity and velvety tannins.

VINTAGE: 2022 was a miraculous vintage for Ken Wright Cellars. Mother Nature never ceases to amaze us. A record late cold front caused extensive damage to the young buds, threatening whether we would have any fruit to harvest. Our first miracle was record levels of fertility. Our second was the driest and warmest October in memory.

FARMING: Organically certified with high level nutrition-based farming

AGING REGIME: Matured in a combination of stainless steel and neutral French oak barrels.

ALCOHOL: 13.2%

pH: 3.70

TA: 5.2 g/L

PRODUCTION: 25,000 cases

