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2022 RESERVE PINOT NOIR WILLAMETTE VALLEY

TASTING NOTES: The 2022 Erath Reserve Pinot Noir represents the best of the Willamette Valley. Bright Ranier cherry aromas, a signature of the Dundee Hills, are followed by hints of violet and thyme on the nose, delicate characteristics that come from the Yamhill-Carlton and Laurelwood districts. Midweight structure and sweet baking spices from Mount Pisgah provide length and depth on the palate. Paired with brimming acidity, this wine elegantly traverses our region's distinct vineyards, offering the unique character of each as it evolves in the glass.

WINEMAKING NOTES: A curated blend of Pinot Noir sourced from top vineyard sites throughout the Willamette Valley, Reserve Collection is an homage to the elegant, structured wines that first put Oregon on the map.

VINTAGE OVERVIEW: 2022 was classic Oregon grape-growing, reminiscent of seasons early in Oregon's winegrowing history. A chilly, wet spring and long, moderate days meant healthy vines, delayed flowering, and unraveling acidity. August and September shared warm days and above-average cluster size. October harvest was full of sunny, dry days that allowed grapes to achieve optimal ripeness with favorable hang time. The late spring resulted maximum acid retention, while late summer gave wonderful flavors and tannin ripeness.

TECHNICAL DATA:

APPELLATION: Willamette Valley

VINEYARDS: Knight's Gambit 46%, Amalie Robert 27%, Fairsing 17%, Battle Creek 4%, Luminous Hills 2%, Tuenge 2%, Carabella 2%. BARREL REGIME: 15 months, 100% French, 25% new

ALCOHOL: 13.7%

CASES PRODUCED: 2,000

