



2022 WILLAMETTE VALLEY ARTISAN SERIES PINOT NOIR

Introducing the Artisan Series, a collection of exceptional wines by King Estate Winery. Made with 100% estate-grown, Biodynamic® fruit, this wine is crafted with meticulous care and attention to detail. The Artisan Series is a testament to the artistry of winemaking and to the values and principles behind it. Each bottle reflects the passion and dedication that goes into making premium Oregon Willamette Valley wine.

TASTING NOTES

The nose has pleasing aromatics of plum, black currant, raspberry, violet, rose and orange rind with accents of coconut, hazelnut and toasty cedar. From the first sip, velvety dark fruit flavors emerge, showing plum, black currant and blueberry joined by notes of almond, mushroom and black pepper. Bright acidity carries this flavorful wine through to a complex and lingering finish.

WINEMAKING PROCESS

Whole clusters are destemmed, then allowed to cold soak for 48 hours with daily pump overs. Fermentation occurs in stainless steel open top tanks with daily punch downs. Aged in French oak barrels for 10 months, 27% new.

VINTAGE NOTES

Despite a heart-stopping frost on April 15, the 2022 vintage rallied to a successful close. The vines were just coming out of dormancy when the frost hit. Vulnerable primary buds suffered significant damage and bloom was delayed by two to three weeks. Optimal conditions in late June resulted in exceptional fruit set and continued through August, when crop estimates beat expectations, giving the first indication that we had rebounded from the frost. A warm September and warmest October on record accelerated ripening and boosted yields, creating a new challenge to bring in all that ripe fruit in a compressed window. Cooler fall-like conditions arrived in late October when the last remaining blocks and vineyards were harvested during breaks in weather.

Varietal: 100% Pinot Noir Vineyard: 100% King Estate AVA: Willamette Valley

Alcohol: 13.5%