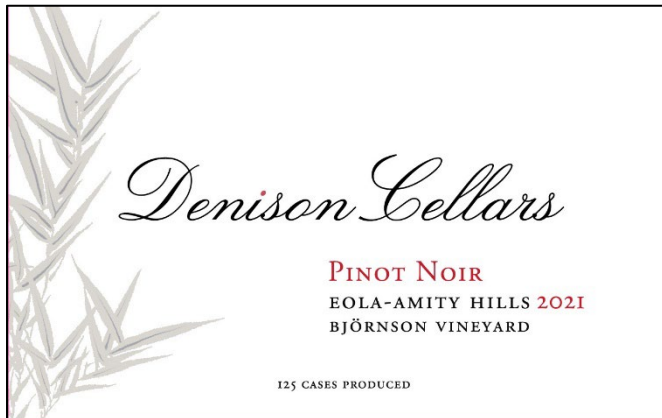


2021 DENISON CELLARS BJÖRNSON VINEYARD PINOT NOIR

EOLA-AMITY HILLS AVA, WILLAMETTE VALLEY, OREGON



THE VINTAGE

After a relatively dry winter, the 2018 growing season got off to a normal start with budbreak occurring on April 20th. The growing season was warm and dry, with over 21 days that reached at least 90° F. and included heat spikes during flowering in mid-June and late July. Very warm conditions persisted into August, but temperatures cooled significantly late in the month as the fruit was finishing veraison. Cooler than normal conditions persisted into September, slowing

the ripening process to a perfect rate that enabled us to pick at optimal ripeness. The fruit for this wine was picked September 24th.

THE WINE

The 2021 Björnson Vineyard Pinot Noir is a blend of 777 and Pommard clones. The wine has deep garnet color, aromas of cherry and raspberry and a hint of cola. Mouth-filling flavors of marionberry, black cherry, a hint of blueberry follow. This wine displays focused mid-palate volume, velvety tannins, and a long seamless finish.

The fruit was harvested on September 24th and spent two days in a cold-soak to extract color. Fermentation was completed in small, one-ton bins and took 25 days to complete. Neutral French oak barrels were used for aging. The blend was created in November of 2022, after spending 12 months in barrel. Bottling was completed in December of 2022; 120 cases were produced.

The 2021 Denison Cellars Björnson Vineyard Pinot Noir is unfinned and unfiltered, and to prevent any incidence of cork taint, is bottled under a twist-off closure.

Harvest Date: Sept. 24th

Brix: 23.7°

Final pH: 3.53

Final TA: 5.40 g/L

Alcohol: 13.9%

Production: 120 cases

Suggested Retail: \$50

Winemaker: Tim Wilson

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