

# Lundeen

2021 La Cantera Vineyard Pinot Noir | \$50 Retail | 50 cases produced



## *vineyard*

La Cantera Vineyard, Chehalem Mountains AVA  
28 acres | Established 1986 | 600 - 684' | S/SW | Laurelwood soil

## *vinification*

Hand-harvested. Grapes were destemmed followed by a 3-5 day soak before fermentation. Fermenters received twice-daily pump overs for 12-18 days. Gently pressed and settled before aging in French oak barrels for 12 months prior to bottling.

## *vintage*

The 2021 Oregon growing season and harvest will always be recalled with a sigh of relief. The year delivered an outstanding rebound vintage after the heartbreaking fires that impacted the region on so many levels the year before. 2021 was not without its challenges, though. Heavy rain in late June during the critical pollination period impacted yields in some areas by as much as 50%, and the hot and dry summer that followed was a tense reminder of the conditions that preceded the fires in 2020. But in the end, fruit came through the door beautifully ripe, balanced and perfectly positioned for minimal intervention on the part of winemakers. Across the board, the wines showed the intensity and richness of color one would expect from a warmer year, but perhaps the most striking characteristic was the nearly perfect retention of natural acidity.

## *about*

The planting of La Cantera (which means “The Quarry”) began over 30 years ago. 28 acres of Pinot Noir, La Cantera Vineyard sits above Rex Hill Winery starting at 600’ above sea level. The unique wind-deposited Laurelwood soils of the Chehalem Mountains serve as the foundation for these red fruit-driven wines. Laurelwood Series, Oregon’s rarest soil series, is composed of fine-grained, wind-deposited silt, called loess. The shallowest of the Willamette Valley’s three main soil types, Laurelwood was deposited over ancient basalt throughout the last glacial period. These fertile, well-draining soils convey distinct character in Pinot Noir. Elegance, complexity and aromas of bright red cherry, sweet baking spice and hints of white pepper are commonly observed in Laurelwood wines.



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