

2021 La Colina Vineyard Pinot Noir | \$50 Retail | 75 cases produced



vineyard

La Colina Vineyard, Dundee Hills AVA 132 acres | Established 1999 | 600 ' | S/SW | Volcanic Basalts

vinification

Hand-harvested. Grapes were mostly destemmed (25% wholecluster) 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.

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

Owned by George Hillberry of Beacon Hill and located in the Dundee Hills, La Colina, planted in 1999, is 132 acres of gorgeous Pinot Noir in deep Jory soils. It Consistently delivers wines noted for being deeper in color, beautiful on the nose, full of earth flavors, soft and smooth in texture. We are thrilled to introduce it as part of our portfolio with this 2021 addition. La Colina is LIVE certified like the rest of our vineyards and is of course, dry farmed.

Jory Series, Oregon's flagship dirt, is basalt-based, volcanic in origin and easily recognizable by its iron-rich reddish color. The silty clay loam is nutrient-rich and almost sticky in nature due to its ability to retain water. Predominantly found in the Dundee Hills and smaller pockets in the surrounding AVAs, wines from Jory soils are bright and high-toned with distinct red cherry flavors and voluminous perfume notes that present an almost candied profile.



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OREGON PINOT NOIR