

# WILLIAMS SELYEM



## 2021 Williams Selyem Estate Vineyard Pinot Noir

### WINEMAKER NOTES

Perfumed and delicate on the nose, the wine showcases raspberry and black cherry notes with hints of cedar and sarsaparilla. Wood spices such as nutmeg and allspice perfectly complement the comforting and rich aromatic profile. The aromas carry over to the palate with firm tannins and balanced acidity. There is a brilliant aromatic lift on the mid-palate with flowers and citrus, giving way to a crushed quartz-like finish. Give this a little time in the cellar to reach its full potential.

### THE VINEYARD

Our Williams Selyem Estate Vineyard is nestled in the heart of the Russian River Valley on Westside Road. With an opportunity to plant to our exact specifications, we selected clones of Pommard, Swan, Calera, and Mt. Eden (UCD 37). The vines are positioned northeast to southwest to allow for even exposure to the summer sun.

### HARVEST 2021

The 2021 growing season experienced only about 14 inches of rain, challenging the plants from the outset of the year. Late winter and early spring were cold and dry, bringing some uneven growth and stress to the plants. The canopies were a little smaller than average going into the flowering, however the weather was ideal and mild. Flowering determines quality and quantity, so it is the most important time. The 2021 season yielded an average to slightly below average crop size with outstanding quality. Largely, the growing season saw mild temperatures but with several scattered heat events. 2021 thankfully saw the return of the fog, which saved the vintage by keeping the nighttime temperatures cool, refreshing the plants, and keeping them hydrated under severe conditions. Due to the changing climate, fog intrusion has been minimal the last few vintages. The 2021 season finished up around the historical average for temperatures. Despite the inauspicious start to the year, the wines showcase terrific verve, character, and site specificity.

### TECHNICAL NOTES

Barrel Description: 69% new, 31% 1 yr.

Barrel Aged: 16 months

pH: 3.38

TA: 0.63g/100mL

Alc: 14.1%

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