

Estate Pinot Noir Dundee Hills, Willamette Valley, Oregon 2022

Our story began in 1971 when our parents, Susan Sokol and Bill Blosser, first planted vines in Oregon's Dundee Hills. As second generation winegrowers, we are passionately committed to our family's legacy of creating world-class wines, through sustainable methods, which express our distinctive hillside vineyards.

– Alex, Alison, & Nik Sokol Blosser Siblings and Second Generation Winegrowers



VINTAGE HIGHLIGHTS

What started as a dry winter turned into a deluge of rain in the springtime. We had the wettest and coldest April/May/June in recorded (130 years) history. Freezing temperatures on the morning of April 14th and 15th knocked back the fragile new growth and we thought our crop yields would be down by 50-60%. In over 51 years of growing grapes here in the Dundee Hills we have never seen a freezing event during the growing season, so we had no idea what was going to happen. The primary buds froze and died, but the secondary buds came on, produced fewer but larger clusters, and the vines made a miraculous comeback. We had the 2nd warmest and driest summer on record, and then we got to October. Everything depended on good ripening conditions in the month of October since bloom was much later. Fortunately we got the warmest October in Oregon history, we were able to let the grapes hang, and the rains stayed put until all our Estate fruit was in on Thursday, October 27th. The fruit got nice and ripe, and we are thrilled with the wine produced from this vintage!

HARVEST DATE September 1st - 30th

WINEMAKING

3-ton stainless steel tanks & 2.5-ton wooden uprights Ambient yeast fermentation Punch-downs No extended maceration

AGING

16 months 11% new French oak barrels

ALCOHOL BY VOLUME

13.5%

APPELLATION Dundee Hills.

Willamette Valley, Oregon

SOIL

Jory (volcanic)

ELEVATION 300 - 550ft

VARIETAL 100% Pinot Noir

CLONES

667, 777, Pommard, Wadenswil, 12 Row, **Pinot Droit**

FARMING PRACTICES

Certified Organic

Regenerative no-till farming

BOTTLED March 2024

PROPER CELLAR LIFESPAN

10-15 years

PRODUCTION 5,116 cases

SUGGESTED RETAIL

TASTING NOTES

On the nose, the 2022 Dundee Hills Estate Pinot Noir shows notes of raspberry and cherry cola with a hint of toast. The palate has an abundance of red fruit characteristics accompanied by leather, forest floor, and wet stone. The finish has sweet tobacco and baked spices such as black pepper and clove.

PAIRINGS

This Pinot Noir will pair perfectly with a mushroom risotto or a grilled chicken breast accompanied with a radicchio salad. We also recommend a cheeseboard focusing on brie and gouda.

THE STORY

Our Dundee Hills Estate Pinot Noir epitomizes everything Sokol Blosser has stood for in over 51 years of winegrowing in Oregon. Crafted to be a true expression of terroir from our hillside vines and Jory soil, this wine is made from a low yield crop that is dry-farmed for quality.



