



Kalita Vineyard Pinot Noir Yamhill-Carlton, Willamette Valley, Oregon 2022

Our story began in 1971 when our parents, Susan Sokol and Bill Blosser, first planted vines in the now-famous Dundee Hills of Oregon's Willamette Valley. As second generation winegrowers, we are passionately committed to our family's legacy of creating world-class wines. Our wines are made from organic grapes, crafted sustainably with the environment at the forefront of our minds, that express the distinctive flavors of our 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 21st - 24th

WINEMAKING

Hand-harvested

4% whole cluster,

96% destemmed

3-ton stainless steel tanks

Ambient and native house yeast

Punch downs for cap management

AGING

10 months

20% new French oak

BOTTLED

September 2023

APPELLATION

Yamhill-Carlton,
Willamette Valley, Oregon

SOIL

Goodin (marine sedimentary)

ELEVATION

525-750 feet elevation

VARIETAL

100% Pinot Noir

CLONES

Pommard, Wadenswil, 114,
115, 777

AGE OF VINES

Planted in 2000

FARMING PRACTICES

Grown organically
(certification in progress)

ALCOHOL BY VOLUME

14.5%

PROPER CELLAR LIFESPAN

10-15 years

PRODUCTION

3000 cases

SUGGESTED RETAIL

\$45

UPC

88473-62021

WINE PROFILE

An abundance of black fruit with blackberry, black currants, and black cherry with fresh blossom. A big, rich Pinot Noir with a perfect balance between fruit and tannins.

SCORES

93 points & Editor's Choice, 92 points James Suckling, 93 points Vinous,
94 points & Publisher's Pick - The Somm Journal, 94 points - Tasting Panel,
92 points & Critic's Choice - Northwest Wine Report

THE STORY

Kalita Estate Vineyard is located in the heart of the Yamhill-Carlton AVA in the Willamette Valley. This stunning, bowl-shaped vineyard was planted in 2000 by Arthur and Sherry Kalita; since purchasing the vineyard in 2021 we have been transitioning Kalita to organic certification.

