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## 2021 PINOT NOIR ZENA CROWN VINEYARD

Positioned on a southwest-facing slope of weathered volcanic soils in the Eola-Amity Hills of the Willamette Valley, Zena Crown Vineyard benefits from well-drained soils and the seemingly ever-present winds pulled in from the Pacific Ocean via the Van Duzer Corridor. Zena Crown produces wines that are effusively red-fruit driven and derived from small clusters of very small berries - both products of wind exposure.

**APPELLATION:** Willamette Valley

**AROMATICS:** Wild strawberry, blackberry, leather

**PALATE:** Blueberry, fig, sandalwood

**ALCOHOL:** 13.8% | **TA:** 5.6 | **PH:** 3.59

**CLONES:** 667, 777, 828

### VINTAGE NOTES

The 2021 vintage started out relatively cool and dry, then vacillated between warm and cool periods through June. The infamous heat dome event happened at a time when berries were still firm and we escaped unscathed. With a warmer than average vintage, picking began in early September in Yamhill-Carlton before continuing further south in Eola-Amity. The vintage is quite rich and is accented by spice and earth notes that weave together a complex and inviting blend.

### WINEMAKING NOTES

The 2021 vintage was a welcome return to classic Willamette Valley after an incredibly challenging 2020. The Zena Crown blend consists of a pair of low-vigor sections on an upper slope in the middle of the vineyard consisting of clones 667 and 777, with an additional section of clone 828 that adds weight and power. This Pinot Noir spent 14 months in 30% new French oak which allowed the tannins to mellow and the flavors to marry. The 2021 is richly layered and has ample acid and tannin to provide definition that will age beautifully.

