

# Bieze Pinot Noir 2022

### Vintage Higlights

The 2022 vintage was marked by one of the coolest and wettest springs in the last 30 years. The cool, wet weather gave way to a warm summer and an unseasonably warm fall which made up for the lost heat at the beginning of the growing season. Our Bieze Vineyard Block is a high-elevation site that's dominated by volcanic soils. It was harvested on October 20th.

#### Winemaking

Our 2022 Bieze Vineyard pick was separated into two different fermentations. One was 25% whole cluster and the other was fully de-stemmed. The whole cluster fermentation adds a more defined tannic structure to the wine as well as a savory component. After gentle fermentation in 2-ton vessels, the wine was aged in 30% new French oak for 11 months.

## Tasting notes

The fruit profile of the wine is dark and focused around blueberry and black cherry with a savory component that's reminiscent of olives and forest floor. Subtle black tea and clove notes come from the whole cluster and the wine is tied together with a dark chocolate and coffee note from the barrel. The wine has a firm tannin profile from the whole cluster inclusion and medium acidity.

#### Score

#### 91 Points Vinous

"Woodsy and earthy in the glass, the 2022 Pinot Noir Bieze Vineyard smolders up with a blend of flowery underbrush, grilled herbs and dried strawberries. Silken in feel yet lifted and savory in style, it coats tart red and black fruits across the palate under an air of violet florals. Gently tannic and dry, it tapers off with youthful tension and a bitter tinge."

-Eric Guido, Vinous, May 2024







Appellation
Bieze Vineyard
in Eola-Amity Hills AVA

Composition

100% Pinot Noir

Clones

Pommard

Production

321 Cases

Alcohol 13.8%

pH. Level

3.47

