

2021 PINOT NOIR Dundee Hills

 VINEYARDS
 ALCOHOL
 13.8%

 100% Thoma Vineyard
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 5.3 g/L

 VINIFERA
 pH
 3.69

 100% Pinot Noir Pommard
 PRODUCTION
 679 cases

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THE VINEYARDS. Thoma Vineyard is a property Van Duzer has been cultivating for the last several year, located on the western slopes of Worden Hill. The soil base for the blocks used in the 2021 are volcanic in origin. This paired with warmer than average summer temperatures produced grapes with rich tannin and bright fruit intensity. The vintage began with a slightly early bud break, leading to typical spring rains, followed by a dry and warm summer. This lead to smaller, more concentrated fruit ideal for premium production. Grapes were harvested September 17 and September 14.

WINEMAKING. Our 2021 Dundee Hills Pinot was made with the highest quality in mind from vineyard to bottle. All of the individual clones were sourced from deep volcanic soil collections at of Thoma Vineyard. Each lot was brought into the winery in small batches and mincro fermented in 2-ton fermenters. Punch downs were performed once daily until it was ready for press. Wines were barrel aged in 40% new French oak for 11 months.

TASTING NOTES. At first glance this wine is an intense dark ruby color. Welcoming the nose are bright fruit notes of strawberry, black cherry, and plum giving way to noses of rose and black tea. On the pallet are ruby red fruits with hints of baking spice and vanilla. The mouthfeel is round and rich, but with the right amount of tannin tension to keep the wine focused and lingering.

