

PIKE ROAD WINES



2022 Quandary Vineyard Chardonnay

About Quandary Vineyard:

An exciting young vineyard in the rolling hills just west of Yamhill. Quandary Vineyards started as the dream of four good friends from Colorado who fell in love with the Willamette Valley. The property boasts two stunning guest houses surrounded by beautiful vineyards with sweeping views of the Yamhill Valley farmland.

Located nearby several of our favorite Yamhill-Carlton AVA vineyards - Matteri Vineyard, Bishop Scott Vineyard & Mt. Richmond Vineyard. We are thrilled about the potential of this vineyard site, especially as the vines continue to dig deeper into the ancient marine sediments.

2022 Vintage:

A year that kept us guessing, 2022 was an unusual vintage in the northern Willamette Valley. April brought one of our latest snows on record, with growers worried about frost damage. Thankfully, most vineyard sites set a generous crop which after a slow spring required thinning to encourage ripening. Temperatures finally warmed in August and September, but cool nights ensured adequate hangtime and flavor development. A string of sunny October days gave us the final ripening we desperately needed. Nearly every block of fruit was ready over a compressed two-week period, so the fruit arrived at peak ripeness during a very intense harvest season in the cellar. We expect our hard work to be rewarded with complex, fruit-forward wines.

Details:

Retail: \$34	10 Months in 20% new french oak
Cases: 200	pH: 3.38
AVA: Yamhill-Carlton	TA: 5.3
Soil: Marine Sedimentary	Alcohol: 13% v/v

With roots deep in Oregon, our family has spent over 40 years farming at Elk Cove Vineyards. Our goal at Pike Road is to honor dedicated family-owned vineyards who grow exceptional cool-climate grape varieties here in the Willamette Valley.

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