

PIKE ROAD WINES

Single Vineyard Pinot Noirs



2022 Shea Vineyard Pinot Noir

93 POINTS - Paul Gregutt - Nov. 2024

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About Shea Vineyard:

Shea Vineyard sits in the heart of the Yamhill-Carlton AVA and is farmed by our friends Dick & Deirdre Shea. This is arguably the most famous vineyard for Oregon Pinot Noir because many well-known wineries have made a Single Vineyard Shea wine, including our sister brand Elk Cove Vineyards and neighbors Ken Wright, Bergstrom, Penner-Ash and others. It's worth checking out the Shea Vineyard website to learn more about this unique vineyard. Wines from Shea vineyard are earthy with a black cherry kick.

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: \$50

Cases: 400

AVA: Yamhill-Carlton

Soil: Marine Sedimentary

Vine Age: 20+

10 Months in 17% new french oak

T.A. 4.9

pH 3.74

Alcohol: 14% 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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