

2021 Rosé of Pinot Noir Willamette Valley

290 Cases Produced

Vineyard Composition

52% Festive Hill WV, West Linn 36% Five Peaks WV, Sherwood 12% Harbinger, Chehalem Mountains AVA

Chemistry

13.5% Alcohol 6.5 g/L Titratable Acidity 3.32 pH 1.2 g/L glucose/fructose

Vintage Notes

This is our second rose' release for Garageland. The Garageland name is stolen from The Clash punk-rock song, and is an homage to all of the artisans - from musicians and painters, to brewers and food makers, who toil away behind non-descript roll-up garage doors in warehouse districts across the world. Just because we don't have a Villa on a hill, doesn't detract from the honest intent, deep connection to the history of our winegrowing region, and unwavering commitment to quality in everything we produce.

Festive Hill, Five Peaks, and Harbinger are all new to our portfolio of vineyard partners and were chosen specifically for this rose. The Festive Hill grapes were harvested off of a young block on the second week of September. They were picked to provide the bright backbone for the blend. The Five Peaks site is new dry-farmed planting just outside of Sherwood on the Northern end of the Willamette Valley. Our fruit was the first harvest for the block. The young Pinot exhibits fruitiness and energy without much of the savory note. Harbinger is a hidden acre on Bald Peak Road that gets its fresh profile from its elevation and slope.

All of the sites were picked at the optimal time and transferred whole cluster to the press for gentle extraction. The juice was settled for a couple days and then racked clean to the fermenting tanks. Some were fermented with no addition of yeast, while others received a yeast that was isolated in Champagne. At the end of fermentation the wines were racked and blended together and then gently fined and filtered for clarity and stability before it was bottled on 3/29/22.

Like all of my wines, this bottling reflects a hands-off winemaking style, and draws focus to the vibrant delicacy, heady aromatics, and natural acidity that are the hallmarks of a well-balanced wine. This rose' has a lot of verve, without sacrificing the fresh sweet smell and taste of ripe Summer fruits. The palate dances on the tongue. The finish is long and bright, begging for another sip.

