



2021

## Shea Vineyard Pinot Noir

Shea Vineyard drapes over 140 acres of rolling hills in the Willamette Valley's Yamhill-Carlton AVA. Dick Shea first planted the Back Block in 1989 and then replanted it in the mid-90s to eliminate the problem of phylloxera, a microscopic insect that feeds on grapevine roots. This fruit is some of the most coveted in the state. Cody sources from the highest elevation Shea block.

### Winemaking

Purple Hands is a low input, purity-driven winery. Ferments are a mixture of techniques: Pied de Cuve, native yeasts, and some commercial strains as needed. Whole cluster and skin macerations are vintage-dependent styles. Wines are bottled unfiltered and unfiltered to retain the honesty of the vineyard.

**Appellation:** Yamhill-Carlton

**Farming Practices:** Dry Farmed, Sustainable, LIVE Certified.

**Grape Varietal:** 100% Pinot Noir

**Ageing:** 10 Months in French Oak Barrels, 40% New.

**Clones:** Dijon (777)

**Soil:** Willakenzie (Marine Sediment)

**Ageability:** 10+ years

**Elevation:** 630 feet

**Alcohol:** 13.5%

**Aspect:** South

**pH:** 3.6

**Year Planted:** 1989 & replanted in mid-90s

**Production:** 413 cases

### Tasting Notes

Blueberry, Black Cherry, Blue Cheese, Boysenberry, Creamsicle, Lavender, Peppermint, Honeysuckle, Roasted Mushroom

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