

# Shea Vineyard Pinot Noir 2022



## The Vineyard

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.



**Appellation:** Yamhill-Carlton

**Grape Varietal:** 100% Pinot Noir

**Clones:** Dijon 777

**Soil:** Willakenzie (Marine Sediment)

**Elevation:** 630 feet

**Aspect:** South

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

**Farming Practices:** Dry farmed, Live certified

**Aging:** 10 months in 30% New French Oak

**Ageability:** Up to 10+ years

**Alcohol:** 13.5%

**pH:** 3.70

**Production:** 644 cases

## Winemaking

Purple Hands is a low intervention, purity-driven winery. Ferments are a mixture of techniques: native yeasts, and some commercial strains as needed. 20% whole cluster for 2022. Skin macerations are vintage-dependent styles. Wines are bottled unfiltered and unfiltered to retain the honesty of the vineyard and the vintage.

## Tasting Notes

lavender, cardamom, mulberry, blueberry, blackberry, spiced rum, cola, wet stone

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