# PIKE ROAD WINES





## 2018 Shea Vineyard Pinot Noir

93 Points - Josh Raynolds of Vinous Media

92 Points - James Suckling

93 Points - Anthony Dias Blue, Tasting Panel Magazine

### **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 of the many well-known wineries that make 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

### 2018 Vintage:

2018 was a vintage for rich, bold flavors in Willamette Valley wines. Starting hot and dry through the spring and summer, by September rain was a welcome relief. Cooler temperatures during harvest slowed ripening and increased hangtime. With multiple vineyards ripening simultaneously in October, our crew put in long hours at the end of crush. Their hard work has paid off with bold fruitforward red wines and fresh, stone-fruited white wines that veer into the tropical. 2018 was a warm vintage that ended cool giving us wines with a captivating combination of flavors.

#### **Tasting Notes:**

Single clone Dijon 777 from 20+-year-old vines planted in the marine soils of the famed Shea Vineyard. Our 2018 Shea is a real stunner showcasing an elegant mix of red and black fruit, violets, and creamy cola notes. The palate is seamless and layered with dusty raspberry, mid-summer ripened blackberries, and long, silky tannins. 22% whole-cluster.

#### **Details:**

Retail: \$50 10 Months in 22% new french oak

Cases: 397 T.A. 5.3 AVA: Yamhill-Carlton pH 3.64

Soil: Marine Sedimentary Alcohol: 13.5% v/v

Vine Age: 20+

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.

