

PIKE ROAD WINES

Single Vineyard Pinot Noirs

2024 Quandary Pinot Noir

90 POINTS - JAMES SUCKLING

About Quandary Vineyard:

An exciting young vineyard in the rolling hills just west of Yamhill. Quandary Vineyards started as the dream of four good friends from Colorado who fell in love with the Willamette Valley. The property boasts two stunning guest houses surrounded by beautiful vineyards with sweeping views of the Yamhill Valley farmland.

Located near several of our favorite Yamhill-Carlton AVA vineyards - Pike Road Vineyard, Matteri Vineyard, Bishop Scott Vineyard & Mt. Richmond Vineyard. We are thrilled about the potential of this vineyard site, especially as the vines continue to dig deeper into the ancient marine sediments.

The 2024 Vintage

The 2024 vintage in the Willamette Valley was a near-perfect setup with well-paced, idyllic conditions for a great vintage of classic Willamette Valley wines. Winter and spring were wetter than average with budbreak occurring in mid-April. The growing season started cool and mild with steady vine growth into June, when some rains during bloom naturally lowered yields for us. July and August were punctuated by several short-lived heat spikes. Thankfully, the hottest temperatures occurred during the green phase of fruit maturation, while clusters are sunburn-resistant. Toward the end of the growing season, a late August drizzle left the vines clean and refreshed, ripening a moderate quantity of beautiful fruit. Great fall conditions allowed for a slower pace than typical. The timing of harvest was close to our historic average but within a longer window contributing to great hang-time. Expect concentrated, fruit-forward wines with great complexity.

Tasting Notes:

Elevated aromatics with bright, juicy black fruits, espresso, and violets. The palate is bold but balanced with perfectly ripe black cherry, sweet black strawberries, espresso beans, cacao nibs, and hints of fennel. The dark fruit continues on the finish with hints of cinnamon stick and vanilla bean from the oak aging. The 2024 Quandary should have a beautiful, long life ahead of it!

Details:

Retail: \$50

Cases: 197

AVA: Yamhill-Carlton

Vine Age: 6

pH: 3.65

TA: 5.1

10 Months in 12.5% new french oak

Alcohol: 13.5% 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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