

LEMELSON

VINEYARDS

2022 STERMER VINEYARD PINOT NOIR

YAMHILL-CARLTON AVA

Release Date: October 7, 2025

Bottling Date: July 2, 2024

Production Level: 522 cases of 12/750 mL

VINIFICATION DETAILS:

Pinot Noir Clones: 68% Wadenswil, 18% Pommard, 14% Dijon 777

Grape Yield: 2.7 tons per acre

Alcohol: 14.1% alc./vol.

Harvest Dates: October 16th, 2022

pH: 3.49

Fermentation Notes: 100% destemmed fruit

TA: 5.6 g/L

Yeasts: Indigenous

Elevage (aging): 20 months in 36% new French oak

Other: Unfined and unfiltered

Vineyard Source: Stermer Vineyard - Lemelson Estate Vineyard certified organic by Oregon Tilth



TASTING NOTES:

Planted across the street from the winery in the Yamhill-Carlton AVA, Stermer Vineyard has been farmed organically since planting began at the site in 1997. With marine sedimentary soils atop a sandstone bedrock, the now mature site produces wines that tend to display prominent earth with a spicy, savory backbone. Our 2022 Stermer leads with Luxardo cherry, licorice, candied violets, petrichor, anise and peppercorn aromas which spring from the glass. The palate is textured, supple and round with milk chocolate flavors that culminate in a long finish.

VINTAGE NOTES:

2022 will be remembered as 'the year of the frost', sub-freezing temperatures prevailed throughout the Willamette Valley at the very end of April leading to a significant die-off of many fresh young buds. Thankfully, grapevines are equipped with not one, but two backup buds! These backup buds quickly kicked into gear, getting the growing season back on track with only a slight delay. The warm summer which followed helped the vines to produce near normal amounts of fruit and ripen the clusters evenly in spite of the roller coaster vintage. The resulting wines from 2022 show textural power and aromatic intensity making this a fantastic vintage to cellar for years to come.