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## LANGE ESTATE WINERY

### *2021 Freedom Hill Vineyard Pinot Noir*

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**THE VINEYARD** Our Single Vineyard Designate series pays homage to the vaunted terroirs of the Willamette Valley. While constrained by these terroirs, as winemakers we still have to summon the blending skills to combine, oftentimes, dozens of different lots of wines from the same vineyard while being mindful of the intriguing sense of place that terroir brings. These wines speak resolutely of where they are grown and are distinctly complex and powerful.

This pinot noir is a blend of fruit from our longtime partner, Freedom Hill Vineyard, which is planted to marine sedimentary soil. The Lange's have sourced fruit from the Duschee family since 1996. The site's typically warm days and cool nights allow for complete fruit ripening while maintaining essential acid balance.

**THE VINTAGE** "After a relatively wet winter, the 2021 vintage in our Dundee Hills got off to a fine start. The only exception was the appearance of a heat dome in late July, Fortunately, this occurred at a point in the growing season where the grapes were well equipped to handle it: well after flowering and before véraison. The added soil moisture from late winter months helped to buffer the grapes. In fact, when fall arrived, we were amazed at how green the canopy was through the end of harvest. The vintage was on track to equal the total heat accumulation of the legendary 2015 vintage, but cooler weather in late September allowed for more moderate ripening, yielding elegant wines with substance and grace." — Executive Winemaker, Don Lange

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<b>VARIETAL</b>	100% pinot noir	<b>AROMAS</b>	berry pie, rhubarb, caramel clove, Christmas spice, pine
<b>CLONES</b>	a blend of traditional and Dijon clones	<b>FLAVORS</b>	huckleberry, dark chocolate powder
<b>APPELLATION</b>	Willamette Valley	<b>BODY</b>	medium-bodied, with plush, supple tannins and a long, seamless finish
<b>ALCOHOL</b>	13.5%	<b>FINISH</b>	dark chocolate, Chinese 5 spice, crushed stone
<b>PRODUCTION</b>	250 cases	<b>ACCOLADES</b>	2021 - 96 Points - International Wine Report 93 Points - Jeb Dunnuck 91 Points - Wine Spectator  2019 - 95 Points - James Suckling 2018 - 96 Points - James Suckling 92 Points - International Wine Report
<b>FERMENTATION &amp; AGING</b>	new and neutral French oak barrels		
<b>RETAIL</b>	\$80		