## Scenic Valley Farms 2021 Family Reserve Pinot Noir



**Cases**: 100

**AVA**: Eola-Amity Hills, Willamette Valley

**Technical Data:** 

**pH** - 3.83

**RS** - < 1 g/L

**BRIX at Harvest** – 23-25

**Alcohol** - 13.4%

Cooperage - 25% new Oregon oak, 75% 5-8 year old "neutral" oak

**Vineyard Notes**: 50% Kecia's Vineyard, 50% Silvershot

**Tasting Notes**: Blackberry and chocolate aromas framed by Oregon oak give the suggestion of a dark and serious wine, but the palate is fresh and clean, easy drinking and light on its feet.

**Winemaking Notes**: As our winery grows, we have started working with grapes that are not grown on our estate vineyard. We have two friends in the Eola-Amity Hills, my former classmate Kecia's Vineyard, and our former assistant winemaker's Silvershot Vineyard. After making a single-vineyard designate from each of these wines in the past, we decided to blend them together to make an Eola-Amity Hills designate that has the depth and complexity of both vineyards together.

**Vintage Notes**: The 2021 Vintage got off to a late start, with enough snow for sledding in February. Budbreak came around April 20th, a week later than usual. However, a dry summer with multiple heat waves accelerated the ripening process. We started harvesting fruit on September 15th, about a week early, with BRIX and pH levels also coming in above average. Fortunately for us at Scenic Valley, our cool climate vineyards are well prepared for these kinds of conditions, resulting in balanced wines with rich texture, with enough acidity to keep everything food friendly.

