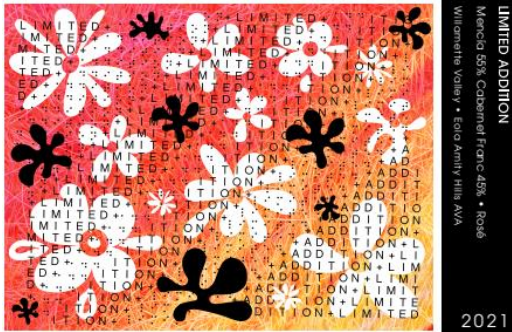


Limited Addition Wines

2021 Mencia/Cabernet Franc Rosé



AVA: Eola-Amity Hills	PRODUCTION: 144 cases
VARIETAL: Mencia 55% Cabernet Franc 45%	ALCOHOL: 12.3%
VINEYARD: Eola Springs	SOILS: Volcanic Basalt
FARMING: Dry Grown/LIVE	ASPECT: West/400ft elv
ELEVAGE: Fermented and aged in neutral French oak	

The 2021 vintage saw our Mencia plantings set their first full crop and as such we were able to experiment and play with what this grape could deliver in terms of wine styles and quality. 2021 was one of the warmest vintages on record since the 2000 vintage. We were able to successfully ripen Grenache in one of the coolest AVAs in the Willamette Valley, Eola-Amity Hills. Growing degree-day totals for 2021 was the highest over the last four vintages, while the McMinnville station saw its 3rd highest since 2000. Across sites and varieties in the region the phenological timing averaged April 14th for bud break, June 4th for bloom, August 10th for véraison, and September 14th for harvest. Growers reported that the combination of cold events in spring, rain during flowering and fruit set, heat events, and a very dry growing season lowered yields in 2021.

The 2020 vintage was the first, eagerly anticipated, fruit of the planting and it didn't disappoint despite the challenges of the season for other common varieties in the valley. This was possibly the most exciting, and intensely fragrant, fermentation in the cellar this harvest. The grapes were destemmed and foot tread for the first few days, the cool fermentation was intensely fragrant with rose, musk and blue fruits that morphed into exotic paprika and sumac aromatics this wine was an engaging shape shifter during fermentation and elevage and continues to be in bottle.

EOLA SPRINGS VINEYARD: Originally planted in 1972 by Carl Stevens, in the Eola-Amity Hills AVA, the vineyard's position in the throat of the Van Duzer corridor provides ample ventilation to temper the vines throughout the growing season and intensifies the diurnal effect of the site with its cool nights and

warm to hot days. The vineyard's beautiful soils result from a geologic history of plate tectonics, volcanism, and glaciation. More recently, alluvial deposits and erosion have made their mark.