

2021 Pinot Noir, Royal Slope



THE WINE

Rhubarb, kirsch, fig paste, and earth. The 2021 Solaksen Pinot Noir begins with a perfect combination of sweet and savory tones. Swirling brings ripe plums, orange peel, black tea, oak spice, and red licorice. Extremely complex and layered, the palate is rich but structured, with lots of dark and ripe red fruit flavors. With remarkable texture and tension, this fantastic wine is a unique expression of Pinot Noir from our Royal Slope terroir. The longer the wine sits in the glass the more dimension it gets. Ripe, flavorful, and with touches of greenness and oak spice, the tannins here are fully developed and the texture is extremely soft and creamy. Very long in mouth and certainly hedonistic, the wine finishes with the perfect amount of sweet and savory flavors without losing its earthy components. A rarity in Washington state, this beautiful Pinot can be enjoyed now or in the next 15 years.

THE WINEMAKING

Stainless steel fermented, extended maceration. Aged in new and neutral French oak puncheons for 18 months.

THE VINEYARD

Gård Vintners wines are 100% estate grown sustainably at Lawrence Vineyards, featuring 14 distinct vineyard sites. With elevations that range 870 feet to 1,675 feet and primarily south-facing slopes, Lawrence Vineyards provide a great framework for grape production, while the diversity of each of the locations delivers a high level of complexity to Gård wines. Lawrence Vineyards is certified sustainable.

THE WINERY

Gård, meaning "farm" in many of the Scandinavian languages, is a tribute to our family's Scandinavian heritage and farming tradition. Founded in 2006, Gård Vintners is a family-owned and operated estate winery in the heart of Washington's Royal Slope AVA, with vineyards on the Royal Slope, wine production in Prosser, tasting rooms in Ellensburg, Walla Walla and Woodinville and Gård Public House restaurant in Royal City.

RELEASE DATE

November 2024

WINEMAKER

Matías Kúsulas

BLEND

100% Pinot Noir

VINEYARD

Solaksen

ALCOHOL

14.2%

CASES PRODUCED

162

MSRP

\$65

AWARDS & ACCOLADES

94 pts - Clive Pursehouse, Decanter

94 pts - Owen Bargreen

93 pts, Critic's Choice - Sean Sullivan

92 pts - Jeremy Young, Int'l Wine Report

