



### Mission

King's North is the story of two brothers, their love of wine, and the vision of creating a label that truly places the grape as the focal point. To us, King's North is simply about bottling the vineyard; capturing all the natural elements throughout each passing vintage. Specifically, Oregon's diverse set of regions, vineyards, varietals & clones.

### Who

The brothers. Sid & Mac Heinze, both owners & winemakers. Sid is lead viticulturist, Mac is head of tasting room & business operations.

### What

Distinctive small batch bottlings that give a true sense of place. By taking a minimalistic approach at the winery, we aim to preserve the nuanced complexity of Oregon, in its purest form.

### Where

The true north of west coast winemaking, the Willamette Valley. Nestled between the Coastal Range and the eastern Cascades, this dense agricultural hub is being transformed to a world-renowned wine region. Here, our cool climate and shorter growing season gives way to elegant, layered Pinot noir and supporting varietals.

### How

Always learning. We've been blessed to be surrounded by a community of skilled mentors that imparted their craft. We owe it to them to keep grinding, stay humble and never stop learning.

### Why

For the love of wine in this very special place.

## 2022 KING'S NORTH PINOT NOIR BLEND 5 ESTATE GROWN & BOTTLED CHEHALEM MOUNTAINS

Cases Produced: 38

Price: \$48

Cooperage: 67% twice-filled French oak

Alcohol: 13.3%

pH: 3.6

Harvest: 9/24 to 10/14, 2022

Farmed, vinified & bottled by our family to yours. Our estate vineyard is 4.3 planted acres of Pinot Noir. Small, yes, but this allows our family to farm it exclusively- keeping diligent contact with every vine from bud break to harvest.

In a word, the 2022 growing season was... challenging. A late spring frost on April 15th caused a significant loss of our primary buds as temps dipped to 27F before daybreak, leading to a substantial decrease in yield. The cold continued for much of the spring & first half of the summer, further extending the season and our eventual harvest starting late September. For a while, the vintage was paralleling the infamous 2011 vintage (the coldest growing season to date), until welcomed temps started to rise in the latter half of the season. Although this cooler vintage creates more obstacles in the vineyard, it was met with some hard nose farmers that were determined to rise to the occasion. After dropping many \*literal\* tons of fruit during the season to ensure quality & ripeness, we're pleased with the end result- a set of Pinot Noirs that show our site's vibrancy & elegance. A lighter, brighter Pinot with intense floral & spice notes alongside tart, fresh red fruit. These Pinots are currently showing great liveliness & energy which indicate signs of promise in the cellar.

Continuing the count: When it comes to our own vineyard, our goal is to produce the best possible wines we can, while capturing the site's own diversity & distinctiveness. Each year we will produce as many blends to meet these two fundamental requirements. And as each vintage is different from year to year, each blend we create will be too, and therefore assigned its own individual number- forever cataloging the count of hopefully a long line of uniquely delicious Pinot Noirs for years to come.

Our 2022 Pinot Noir Blend 5 is a combination of three barrels highlighting the delicate side of our vineyard. Mostly pulling from our vineyard's highest elevation block, specifically Dijon 667 clone planted on Dupee & Hazelair soils, its tart cranberry and black tea driven flavors with a silky mouthfeel. Softer tannins and brighter acidity makes this the lightest & smoothest Pinot Noir of 2022.

- 67% Dijon 667 (Dupee/Hazelair)
- 33% Dijon 115 (Carlton)