

## **HUNDRED SUNS WINE**

## 2021 Willamette Valley Gamay Noir

Vineyard: Tualatin Estate

AVA: Tualatin Hills AVA, Willamette Valley, OR

Elevation: 280 ft.

Exposure: South/Southwest Soils: Delena, Helvetia Harvest Date: September 25th Fermentation: mixed style,

Aging: elevage in neutral oak and amphora

Alc / Vol: 13.9%

## Winemaking:

An early spring kick-started the season, and yields were restricted by poor weather during cluster and flower development. Warm summer months brought this Gamay into full maturity and we hand-picked on September 25th.

The fruit was divided into three fermentation lots: (1) 100% whole cluster (2) fully destemmed (3) 100% whole cluster with foot crushing. After fermentation they were aged in neutral oak and amphora for 11 months.

The three components are wildly different with portions lending bright cranberry fruit and silky tannins while others create rich blueberry flavors with cocoa-like tannins.

Enjoy now through 2026

## Vineyard:

This historic estate was established in the early 1970s by pioneer Bill Fuller. Our parcel of Gamay (in fact, the only gamay planted at the site) came from a hidden corner of the vineyard and was uncovered by our friend, Evan Martin, who offered us a one-acre piece of this amazing site planted on marine sedimentary soils.