

Kelley Fox Wines Freedom Hill Vineyard Pinot Blanc 2021

This wine was produced from the storied Freedom Hill Vineyard in Dallas (bordering the Eola-Hills A.V.A.) and was planted, owned, and farmed by the Dusschee family. The soil here is Bellpine, a marine sedimentary silt clay loam that is well-drained. The Pinot blanc was whole cluster-pressed after picking. It settled in tank for a couple of days before racking and this year, after primary, it was racked to neutral Burgundy oak barrels (228L). No new wood. This wine is dry and ML-complete.

The colour is a highly transparent, brilliant pale, and youthful lemon-yellow. The nose is full of delicate citrus, peach, and floral tones with hints of sea-fresh salinity and powdery minerals, and to date, extends quite a bit beyond the glass. The texture is light on its feet but has lovely heft like fine silver does. The mouth is much like the nose and has wonderful acidity. This Pinot blanc is very clean on the palate, and long. There is a balance and serenity to this wine that I love.

Appellation: Willamette Valley A.V.A.

Picking Date: 14 September 2021

Barrels: élevage in all neutral Burgundy barrels (228L)

Bottling Date: 25 March 2022

Alcohol: 13.0 %

Cases Produced: 224