

Kelley Fox Wines Carter Vineyard Pinot Noir 2022

It's such an honour to be able to make wine from these old, organically farmed vines at this historic vineyard owned by Ken and Karen Wright of Ken Wright Cellars. The vines were planted on their own roots back in 1983. 2019 was my first year working with Carter.

The 2022 is a transparent, youthful, medium-deep, and luxurious red. It has a rich red fruit nose with subtle spices, and minerals. There is a cool freshness that reminds me of after a rain shower. It must be the way of Carter, because in 2022, the mouth still has that powerful presence I wrote about in 2021- a stillness- a restraint and a waiting-that is weightless. It's full of ripe, dark red berries and the texture has gorgeous heft without any heaviness. To me, there's no question of this being Eola-Amity Hills, and it's a serious, complex beauty.

Appellation: Eola-Amity Hills A.V.A.

Picking Date: 20 October 2022

Élevage: 10 months in tight-grained, neutral French oak Burgundy barrels

Bottling Date: 11 July 2023

Alcohol: 13.0 %

Whole Cluster: 50%

Cases Produced: (86) cases