# Beaux Frères Ribbon Ridge AVA | Oregon



## The Sequitur Vineyard Pinot Noir 2021

The Sequitur Vineyard was planted in 2012 by Carey Critchlow and Michael G. Etzel, founding partner and winemaker. Their homestead vineyard, it includes no less than 17 different clones of Pinot Noir in a unique micro-climate, protected on three sides by a dense stand of Douglas fir.

GRAPE VARIETY: 100% Pinot Noir

VINEYARD SIZE: 12 acres

VINEYARD LOCATION: Ribbon Ridge AVA | Willamette Valley | Oregon

### **TECHNICAL INFORMATION**

HARVEST DATES: September 11th - 16th VINIFICATION: Primary fermentation using indigenous yeast in small vats for 15 to 18 days, approximately 15% stem inclusion, unfined and unfiltered

MATURING: 10 months in French oak barrels, 17% new

#### ALCOHOL CONTENT: 13.3%

TOTAL CASE PRODUCTION: 294

#### GROWING SEASON SYNOPSIS:

The 2021 vintage commenced on August 30th, and continued steadily for 26 days with moderate to moderately-high yields in our estate vineyards. Flavor and chemistry are reminiscent of 2018. Minimal acid adjustment and lower alcohol than what would have been expected for a record breaking year for heat. The heat came early enough to have less of an impact on the major variables such as acid and sugar development. Given the temperate conditions around harvest, the wines possess a roundness at this early stage that we feel speaks to the overall quality of the vintage.

> WINEMAKER TASTING NOTES: *Ripe sweet plum, cherry pie crust, cedar chest*