

# Flavorscape

Unconstrained experimentation in the cellar has been happening for years. Skin contact white wines hiding in that corner. Perhaps Gamay Noir with carbonic maceration in the lone fermenter? Way in the back where no one can see, there are sparkling wines of varying extended disgorgement. These trials and experiences have been a continuing education allowing the creation of the refined Gran Moraine wines you know. **Come explore the Flavorscape universe.**

## 2021 GAMAY NOIR

crunchy vibrant funky fresh

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YAMHILL-CARLTON  
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The Lazy Gamay. This wine has been an exploration of the possible. How little can we contribute ourselves to a red wine? How can we let the fruit do the work of winemaking for us? These are the boundaries we've been testing in the creation of this wine. What started in 2018 as a trial in minimalism with Pinot Noir brought us to the place of "Let's do this again, but with Gamay." We destem the fruit to allow purity, place into a small tank with a pressure release lid on it, and then we do nothing for about a month. We then press the fruit and rack to 10-year-old or older 228L French oak barrels and bottle after 6 months.

**VINTAGE** Little rain during budbreak led to normal flowering, and summertime heat spikes with a mild September brought an early start to picking, setting us up for an incredible harvest

**AROMAS** Crushed basalt, Nori, sea spray, cranberry, boysenberry, sphagnum moss, light roast coffee, guava, saffron, matcha, durian

**FLAVORS** Blackberry patch, selfheal, rooibos, blueberry/strawberry fruit salad with all the white pithy parts of the strawberry, cran-apple fruit cocktail

**TEXTURE** Bountiful acidity with a huge upward snap. Slightly present tannins like the best cocktails containing bitters, salty finish, minerality throughout. Pair with salty cheeses.

**VARIETAL** 100% Gamay

**AGING** 17 days on skins, 6 months in very old french oak, all 10+ years

**ALCOHOL** 13.3%

**VINEYARD** WillaKenzie Estate, Yamhill-Carlton AVA

**WINEMAKING** No punch downs or pump overs- only SO2 at finish as addition

**TA** 0.63 g/100ml     **pH** 3.41

Gran Moraine wines shine a light on the monologue of the Gran Moraine Vineyard, lifting its voice and vibrant energy through a signature style of elegance and restraint, with a fresh through-line of acidity. A style that has established the winery as a leader in the Willamette Valley.

