## 2024 Fall Newsletter

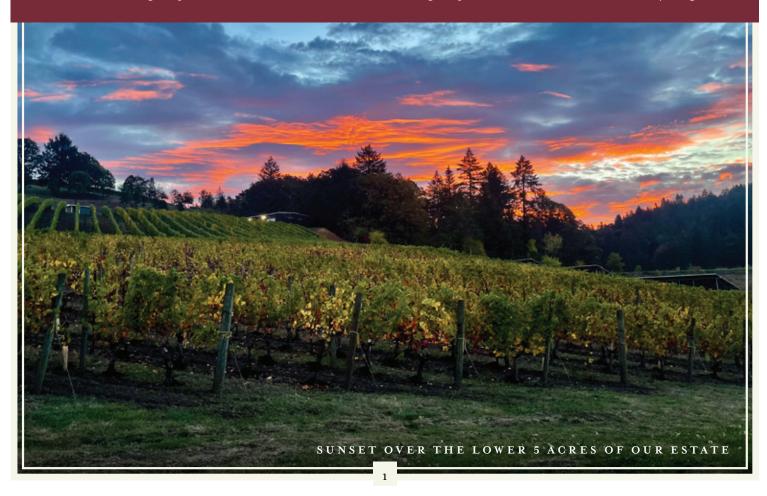


"Through the years, through all the good and bad
I knew how much we had, I've always been so glad
To be with you through the years
It's better every day, you've kissed my tears away
As long as it's okay, I'll stay with you
Through the years

Through the years, when everything went wrong
Together we were strong, I know that I belonged
Right here with you, through the years
I've never had a doubt, we'd always work things out
I've learned what life's about by loving you
Through the years

Through the years
You've never let me doubt...'

— Through The Years, Kenny Rogers



#### A WORD FROM THE WINEMAKER

#### Silver Anniversary

Our Silver Anniversary is upon us. We are now officially a winery with 25 vintages in the books.

When we first came to look at our property in March of 2000, I remember Patty remarking, "How under developed the house and winery was." Things were a lot more basic then. The house and winery were what they were, the grounds were largely populated by Locust trees (thorny nightmares) and Asian plums (pretty but very messy), Scotch Broom and a well that barely produced any water. The property was encircled by a weird, orange electric fence that, well, let's not talk about that... The key to ability is availability, and all those things were part of the reason why we were able to buy it.

Twenty-five years later this (to me) is one of the most beautiful and serene vineyards and properties I have ever seen. The tasting room and grounds are an overt view of the hard work our team has put into transforming this place. Truly, it is the subtle things that get me. Some of the places on this property that are barely ever seen are simply magical. There are Woodland patios at both the bottom and near the top of a hillside of massive old firs with a pathway that travels alongside a seasonal creek through a place that looks like a fairy home. A speakeasy hidden behind a building and set into what is nearly the top of a massive old tree. A patio and greenhouses that our vineyard workers constructed that overlooks the valley. A small, unplanted little outcropping in the very back of the vineyard that gets very little morning sun and is a place we call the Ceremony Block. The vineyard itself is well-taken care of and uniquely beautiful.





This whole place is a reminder of what Oregon is about and what hard work, dedication and teamwork can do to realize a place's potential. In 25 years, it has been what would be considered a relatively small number of people who have put their time and effort into making this place what it is and always willing to go down the rabbit hole of what we felt the wines could be. We've had the good fortune, even amidst terrible misfortune, to be able to do things we never even imagined possible when we landed here.

Hopefully you all reading this get that we try to make this business mutually beneficial. We continue to strive to make the wines that extra 2, 3, 4% better every vintage, every bottling. We may look like a simple place sometimes, but we own some serious state-of-the-art equipment. We have always felt that putting money back into the winery, wines, vineyard and the property was not only extremely important, but part of the implied deal we have with our customers. Many of you have been patrons for so long that it's only fair that we are keeping up our end of the bargain by showing you something new, something better, and improvement that justifies that long held faith in us, our wines and our place.

We are now 25 vintages in. I'm not sure how many Oregon wineries can say that?

Thank you!

— Jim Anderson

And...wasn't exactly sorry to see the Yankees lose the World Series.

#### 2024 HARVEST REPORT

On October 31st the 2024 harvest officially came to an end when the last of the Pinot Noirs went into barrel. Harvest began on September 21st and all the Pinot Noir from 12 vineyards spanning 48 individual blocks was picked over 15 straight days (except for one outlier site that came in 5 days later). Things to know:

- In 31 vintages this was literally and by far the easiest harvest I have ever been a part of. Several things went into that. We worked with a few less vineyards than we had the past 3 vintages and had 75 less tons of Pinot Noir to process. We had an excellent and experienced crew, and the weather was very cooperative. The fruit was in immaculate condition in almost all cases. Beyond that, all the little things worked out; trucks hauling fruit from other vineyards never showed up at the same time, all our equipment functioned perfectly, we never ran out of anything critical, the food was excellent (good planning and wicked in-house cooks), and everyone stayed healthy. Even in an emergency where we lost power for the day, we found a nearby winery that wasn't processing fruit that day and brought stuff over there and kept on working. I have always wondered in my head about what a vintage would look and feel like if every little detail basically went your way. Now I know. It looks like 2024.
- 2. I have said it here before, I believe that the set of wines from 2023 are the greatest collection of wines Patricia Green Cellars has ever produced. I am already open to the concept that 2024 will, at the very least give that statement something to think about. The raw wines in barrel have enormous appeal to them already. They are sensationally

- aromatic just days after being barreled down. At worst, 2024 joins 2023, 2022, 2021, 2016, 2012 and 2005 in the pantheon of absolute greatest vintages. You will notice that is back-to-back vintages. I challenge any place that grows wine to come up with that run of vintages and, if you go all the way back to 2012 the only vintage that wouldn't be of extremely high quality is 2020 and that had nothing to do with the growing conditions. Oregon is incredible.
- 3. We are upping our already stellar Sauvignon Blanc game. The 2023 Willamette Valley and Estate Vineyard Sauvignon Blancs were probably the two best versions of those bottlings we have made. In 2024 we were fortunate enough to re-gain a large swath of Croft Vineyard Sauvignon Blanc. This has been absent from our portfolio since the 2009 vintage. Times change and we took on a good chunk of one of the valley's premier Sauvignon Blanc sites which will allow us to increase our Willamette Valley bottling production by around 50% and maybe we will even have a small Croft Vineyard bottling (it's looking good right now for that!)

Keeping with the upped game on Sauvignon Blanc, but harkening back to the 2023 vintage, we have some interesting and exciting news. This will mean a lot to the real old timers and if you're new-ish to us, well, let's put it this way. Once, back in 2006, we made what I would say is legitimately the only "cult wine" we have ever produced. It has been asked after many times but never repeated. Until now.

Panama White. Stay tuned. Coming 2025.

#### THE 2022 VINTAGE IN FULL REPOSE

An inspiring vintage to say the least. We pleased to announce that we are beginning to pour the 2022 vintage Pinot Noirs starting in November. Over the course of the next several months those of you that visit will be treated to a rotating set of insanely delicious wines. It won't matter what wines we decide to pour and show, everything is richly textured, and highly aromatic. While these wines will age as well as

all our wines have, this is simply one of those vintages that is open for business from the jump. This is also the most reviewed vintage we have ever experienced with NW legend Paul Gregutt, Vinous' Eric Guido, Jeb Dunnuck's Audrey Frick and a pending review from The Wine Advocate's Erica Brooks all dropping glowing commentary with scores nearly uniformly in the 93-98 range.

# HERE IS WHAT WE WILL BE POURING PRE-THANKSGIVING WEEKEND: NOVEMBER 23RD & 24TH

2022 La Belle Promenade Vineyard Pinot Noir: Deliciously red-fruited site with a sleek texture that hints at a higher elevation vineyard but is so rich that it's shocking to find out that it actually is one. This organically and internally farmed vineyard has become a mainstay in a short period. In 2024 this is the only Chehalem Mountain AVA site we are working with. This wine does make some forays into our national distribution system, but we're keeping this closer to home more and more. 95 from Dunnuck, 93 from Vinous.

2022 Corrine Vineyard, Wadensvil Block Pinot Noir: We are coming to the end of one of the longer runs we have had with a vineyard and vineyard block. The 2022 vintage represents the penultimate vintage for our relationship with this lovely site. Way back in 2009 we started with what was then Olenik Vineyard. Every vintage other than 2020 this has been one of our higher end mainstays. Always beautiful, aromatic, minerally, intense, subtle and complex. The 2022 does not disappoint in any fashion. One of Audrey Frick's highest rated wines at 97+. If you have been a fan over the years don't miss the last two.

#### 2022 Freedom Hill Vineyard, Wadensvil Clone Pinot Noir:

While only 4 other vintages of this exist since we started with this section in 2017, it has quickly become one of our most popular wines. Combining the inherent structure, density and darkness of the site with the lively, lovely, red-fruited character of Wadensvil. You know you're doing things well and consistently when the three reviewers come in a compact 94, 95, 95+.

2022 Estate Vineyard, Old Vine Pinot Noir: The flagship wine. In 2022 we lost huge swaths of the vineyard to the April frost, reducing our total yield to only slightly over a ton per acre. Given this, rather than make several individual wines as we normally do, there is just this one from the vintage. Best blocks, low yields. You see where we're going here. Doesn't even matter what the reviewers think (and they think highly), this is a wine we will always remember. Unique stuff.

2022 Ridgecrest Vineyard Pinot Noir: We are very fortunate to receive fruit like this. Planted in 1982, it is the oldest vineyard in the Ribbon Ridge AVA, and these vines are the original planting of Pommard. I went over to the vineyard for our 2024 harvest as it marked the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of their

I<sup>st</sup> pick. This is a great vineyard with old school wide rows, big plants with thick trunks and gorgeous fruit that makes wine that blends fruit, earth and minerals in a way that few places can. 97 by Paul Gregutt but Audrey Frick goes higher and gives it a 98. Yeah, we're pouring that.

2022 Lillie's Vineyard Pinot Noir: Took the fruit sort of as a joke about making a wine out of spite. Good thing. It now sits comfortably in our portfolio of incredible Dundee Hills sites. Even at just 20 years of vine age, this vineyard is producing amazing stuff. Beyond red-fruited and with a texture that few wines can ever achieve. Just an amazing bottling even in it's inaugural appearance for us. In 2023 and 2024 it is a mainstay. Only 240 cases of this one though. Audrey Frick with the 97+ and Paul Gregutt comes in at 95.

2022 Balcombe Vineyard, Block 1B Pinot Noir: The Estate Vineyard Old Vine is assuredly the flagship wine here but this bottling is where we lay down our gauntlet. This is, technically, the 24<sup>th</sup> time we have bottled the Block 1B Pinot Noir dating back to the 1997 at Torii Mor. Consistent, powerful, intense, focused and just a super-serious, unique Dundee Hills wine. Stunning stuff. Guido at 94+, Frick at 96 and Gregutt at 97.

2022 Notorious Pinot Noir: We have gotten better at making wine over the years. We have gotten WAY better at making this wine, in particular. I think it's the combination of really knowing the style of what we do so well, having such a broad swath of great vineyards and, now, due to the frost event we had cut our normal Cadus barrel order from 90 barrels to 10 so we had to go find some stuff. And we found some stuff we REALLY like. If you have loved this wine the way most people do, this bottling is almost like a new era of an even better version of it. Again, Frick comes in at 97 and Gregutt at 95.

That's what we are pouring the weekend before Thanksgiving. Selling all of these as well. Don't know what to tell you folks, you're only at the halfway mark (half way!!) of a four year run of flat out phenomenal wines. I don't know, go do some pushups or something. You're going to need to be prepared because it's completely crazy. 36 Pinot Noirs in 2021, 32 in 2022, 34 in 2023 and who knows what in 2024 but that's exactly IOO bottlings of Pinot Noir that are all simply at the top of their game. Strap in, the ride is going fast!

## VISIT THE WINERY

All tastings are private and by appointment, available daily between 10a.m. and 3:00p.m. We have available seating outside on the covered deck overlooking the vineyard with heaters and fire tables or indoors. Tasting at the winery allows you to taste 5-7 of those special small bottlings that are not in distribution and cannot be found in your local market.



#### Whiskey Tastings!

We are excited to finally be able to offer tastings of our small-production whiskeys. Private appointments with one of our winemaking/distillery team are extremely limited - we are able to accept groups of up to 6 guests at IIam, Ipm and 2:30pm daily by prior reservation. The cost to taste is \$30 per person, one fee waived with each bottle of whiskey (or brandy) purchased.

#### Pre-Thanksgiving Weekend Open House

Saturday, November 23rd and Sunday, November 24th from IO:00 until 2:00, COME ON DOWN! No appointments are available on open house days. You will also be able to pick-up futures that were purchased in the Spring and any Club Orders that we have been holding. Entry is complimentary for club members and their guests and customers picking up their futures orders. General admission for non-members is \$25.

## Thanksgiving Weekend – NO OPEN HOUSE

We will be open Friday, November 29<sup>th</sup> through Sunday, December I<sup>st</sup> by appointment for regular tastings from IOa.m. to 3p.m.

## New Whiskey Release Party – Did you know we have a whiskey club?

Saturday, December 7th IIam - 3pm Complimentary for Whiskey Club Members (up to 4 guests)

Join us for an open house to celebrate the release of our two newest whiskeys: Full Pint Barley & Gazelle Rye. Chat with owner/distiller Lynsee Sardell and distillery co-owners Jim Anderson and Matthew Russell while tasting the Patty Green Whiskey lineup, paired with small bites and cocktails made with the Full Pint Barley Whiskey! Visit our website for reservations. Event is free for whiskey club members and \$25 for nonmembers. This is a great chance to see what Patty Green Distillers is all about.

### Patricia Green Cellars 2022 Order Form

 $Scores-PG-Paul\ Gregutt\ (paulgwine.com),\ JD-Jeb\ Dunnuck\ (jebdunnuck.com),\ WE-Wine\ Enthusiast$ 

Current Release Wines		Price	Quantity
2022 Anderson Family Vineyard	95 JD	\$55	
2022 Balcombe Vineyard	96 JD	\$60	
2022 Balcombe Vineyard, Block 1B	96 JD	\$75	
2022 Bearwallow Vineyard	95 JD	\$75	
2022 Chehalem Mountain Vineyard	94 JD	\$37	
2022 Chehalem Mountain Vineyard, Wadensvil Clone	95 JD	\$48	
2022 Coulee Vineyard	97 PG, 94 JD	\$45	
2022 Corrine Vineyard, Wadensvil Block	97+ JD	\$55	
2022 Corrine Vineyard, Anklebreaker Block	97 JD	\$60	
2022 Durant Vineyard, Madrone Block	94 JD	\$45	
2022 Durant Vineyard, Bishop Block	97 JD	\$55	
2022 Estate Vineyard, Old Vine	95 PG, 95 JD	\$45	
2022 Freedom Hill Vineyard, Coury Clone	96 JD	\$75	
2022 Freedom Hill Vineyard, Dijon 115 Clone	94 JD	\$55	
2022 Freedom Hill Vineyard, Perspicacious	98 JD	\$150	
2022 Freedom Hill, Pommard Clone	97 JD	\$55	
2022 Freedom Hill, Wadensvil Clone	95 JD	\$55	
2022 La Belle Promenade Vineyard	95 JD	\$55	
2022 La Belle Promenade Vineyard, Ghost Barn Block	96 JD	\$75	
2022 Lillie's Vineyard	97+ JD	\$75	
2022 Marine Sedimentary	93 PG, 93 JD	\$48	
2022 Mysterious	98 JD	\$100	
2022 Notorious	97 JD	\$85	
2022 Ridgecrest Vineyard	97 PG, 98 JD	\$85	
2022 Reserve	93 PG, 93 JD	\$29	
2022 Volcanic	92 JD	\$48	
2022 Weber Vineyard	95 JD	\$55	
2022 Wind Ridge Vineyard	97 JD	\$60	
Library Wines	Ü	Price	Quantity
2019 Anniversary Cuvée		\$85	Quantity
2019 Freedom Hill Vineyard, Perspicacious		\$150	
2021 Freedom Hill Vineyard, Perspicacious		\$150	
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2023 Rosé of Tempranillo		\$29	
2021 Estate Vineyard Chardonnay		\$75	
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