

2010 "Yamhill-Carlton AVA" Appellation Series

The Vineyards

Kason Vineyard is located in the Yamhill-Carlton AVA just north of the town of Yamhill. The vineyard sits on a small hill 325ft above sea level. The vines were planted in 2002 on sedimentary soils- a combination of Woodburn silt and Willakenzie loam. The original 5 acres were planted with Pommard, Wadensvil, Dijon 777 and 115 clones.

In The Winery

Eighty percent of the bins received from Kason Vineyard were gently sorted and destemmed as the fruit arrived at the winery. Twenty percent of the fruit was sorted and added to the fermentation tank whole cluster. The wine was cold soaked for 8 days before being inoculated for fermentation. The fermentation took 4 days to complete, with 10 days of additional post-maceration skin contact. After a total of 22 days of skin contact, we pressed off in our old world, half-ton, wooden basket presses, a process that reduces the yield we garner from the must, but insures soft tannins and delicate aromatics. After pressing, the wine was barreled down in French oak for 15 months of aging in the cellar. While in barrel, we rack once after malolactic fermentation and then again just before blending.

Technical Data

Vineyards: Kason Vineyard (100%) Harvest: October 21, 2010

Whole Cluster: 20%

Cooperage: 15 Months French Oak Bottled: March 20th, 2012

pH: 3.72 Alcohol: 13.0% Production: 73 cases