2022 CHAPTER 24 VINEYARDS
LAST CHAPTER PINOT NOIR

WINEMAKERS:	Anne Sery
REGION:	Willamette Valley, Oregon
VARIETALS:	Pinot Noir
MATURATION:	12 months in 100% French oak (40% new)
ANALYSIS:	13.9% alc/vol

BACKGROUND: Last Chapter Pinot Noir is Chapter 24's top, limited-production cuvée from grapes grown in both volcanic and sedimentary soils. The combination carries both bright and tart "red" notes from the volcanic soils, set against deeper, more soulful "blue" notes from the sedimentary soils.

WINEMAKING: A freeze event in late April 2022 was damaging. Luckily, growing season weather with a nice heat accumulation focused at the end of the growing season so yields ended up being much more than anticipated. The grapes were picked then 100% de-stemmed and fermented with indigenous yeasts in 3-ton stainless steel tanks. The grapes were allowed to "infuse" as whole berries at a moderate temperature in an oxygen-rich environment until being pressed in small lots in a manually controlled basket press.

TASTING NOTES: Expressive aromas and flavors of raspberry and boysenberry are highlighted by baking spices and a subtle, appealing forest floor quality. Well-integrated tannins support a lingering finish. Impeccably structured, poised and sophisticated. A true representation of a Willamette Valley terroir-driven wine.

CRITICAL ACCLAIM: 94 pts JamesSuckling.com

ABOUT CHAPTER 24: Chapter 24 Vineyards was named after the last chapter of Homer's epic poem, The Odyssey. This particular chapter was added long after Homer died. The Greeks continued the tale to satisfy themselves despite the author thinking he was finished after Chapter 23. The mark of a great ending is not what it says about the past, but rather what it promises forthe future, and Chapter 23 clearly raised more questions than it answered. In this same spirit, the story of Chapter 24's wines continues well past the cellar door. Winemaking is just the beginning of the story. The wine may be finished but it is not the end.

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