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Alcohol: 11.5% pH: 3.46

THESIS: More trespass than trample

THE CLIFF NOTES: The color is translucent ripe raspberry red. The nose is blue taffy, purple grape and green tobacco. The palate aligns on raspberry and white strawberry, cherry and watermelon rind, leaving a perception of overwhelmingly long, fresh and red. It's a swath cut across your summer evening, a kind disrupter.

THE STORY: This wine's not really about terroir or age-ability. It plays as a summer, chill-able red. It blurs the line of color and fruit with the acidity and structure of a white. Spinning heads on patios is not such a bad thing.

FERMENTATION: We started with a cool red ferment of the 100% Pinot Noir on its skins to the point of vivid color, vibrant flavor and only the slightest kiss of tannin. At a precise moment we pressed, the juice off its skins and put it into barrel, where we finished it in the manner of a dry, aromatic, white.

ELEVAGE: 100% barrel aged in older French oak barrels using lees addition and co-fermentation to promote color and broaden an earthy mid-palate.

VINEYARDS: This is a single vineyard wine farmed biologically intensively by the JKC team off of our organically certified **St. Dolores Estate** (13 years) surrounding the winery.

—Jim Prosser, owner/winemaker