## Stolpman

## **TROUSSEAU**

**100% Trousseau**440 cases produced



## Stolpman's Jura Inspired Trousseau

Trousseau's typical large, thin-skinned grapes deliver one of the lightest, most delicate red wines from the entire estate. First produced in 2014 under our experimental "Combe" line of wines, the Trousseau vines have slowly adapted to life in our arid limestone, producing slightly denser, riper wines now that they are mature.

Healthy winter rain, almost mirroring 2023 precipitation pattern, set us off on a relatively late bud break. The vines naturally set a lighter crop than 2023, and minimal cluster thinning was needed as the vines had already balanced themselves. Summer proved beautifully moderate and weather didn't warm up until the second week of September. We nailed the early-ripening Trousseau harvest on September 19th just a week into the warm weather.

A lavender haze hangs below billowy clouds of tropical and red fruit essence. One of the lightest, easiest, most effortless wines produced out of any varietal grown on Stolpman Vineyards. The barrels selected for the 2024 Trousseau show a refined smoothness, no arms or legs, no perceptible tannin – just the magic touch!

So light and airy it rises above typical fruit and juice descriptions, as the sensations remain so delicately aromatic through the mouth. While such a light profile could be fleeting, a captivating tang and energy beckons one back.

A dangerous parallel to draw, the 2024 trousseau contains the delicate prettiness I chase in Premier Cru burgundy from cool vintages.

Vintage 2024

**Region** Stolpman Estate Vineyard, Ballard Canyon AVA

**Components** Barrel selection of 100% Estate Block 5 and the hilltop crown of Block 3

Farming CCOF Organic Certified & Demeter Biodynamic Certified

Harvest Date September 19

**Vinification** 70% whole cluster lightly foot trod and circulated

**Vatting/Fermentation** Open top concrete tanks

Cooperage & Elevage Neutral 500L French Oak Ermitage Mt. La Vache Puncheon for 5 months

13% Alc by Vol

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