



### **Kelley Fox Wines Stater Vineyard Pinot Blanc 2024**

There's a new Dundee Hills farm for Kelley Fox Wines starting in 2023: Stater Vineyard. It borders The Eyrie Vineyards' original vines vineyard on one side and Durant Vineyard (higher up near Bishop Block) on the other. I lease the vines at this enchanting little vineyard encircled by a towering grove that has a Pacific northwest nod to Avalon (i.e. fairies, etc.) in its energy. Most of the vines are Pinot noir here, but there's a half-acre or so of beautiful Pinot blanc. The 2024 was whole cluster-pressed after picking. It settled in tank for a couple of days before racking, and after primary, it was racked again into neutral French oak barrels for élevage until bottling. This wine is dry and ML-complete.

The Stater 2024 is utterly transparent and is pale, pastel yellow. The enticing nose is full of white peaches and soft, ocean-fresh minerality. The mouth is juicy and beautifully fruited and is well-balanced by the tension and acidity. The finish is mouth-watering and has the feeling of a coastal white wine. I'm so glad to have this type of expression of Pinot blanc.

**Appellation:** Dundee Hills A.V.A.

**Picking Date:** 10 October 2024

**Barrels:** neutral tight-grained Burgundy barrels (228L) made from French forests

**Bottling Date:** 3 September 2025

**Alcohol:** 13.0 %

**Cases Produced:** 168