

NICOLAS JAY

2017 Pinot Noir

Willamette Valley—Oregon

Press Accolades



STATS

Harvested: September 27th-
October 5th, 2017

Harvest Brix: 22.8

Alcohol: 13.5%

TA: 4.9g/L
pH: 3.66

Cooperage:
30% new French oak

Date bottled: February 1st, 2019

Cases made: 2974

Winemakers:
Jean-Nicolas Méo
Tracy Kendall

Decanter

"High-toned and damp, this wine displays aromas of wet earth, Earl Grey tea and cocoa nibs, followed by flavours of pomegranate and red plum skin. It's classic Oregon Pinot Noir, and one can see the Méo-Camuzet influence, albeit with a softer generosity. The blend is based around Bishop Creek Vineyard, with smaller portions of other sites including Hyland, Knight's Gambit and Hopewell."

**93
Points**

International Wine Report

"The 2017 Nicolas-Jay Willamette Valley Pinot Noir is a gorgeous release from this Willamette Valley winery. Aged in largely neutral oak, the nose evokes some wonderful freshness with bright red fruits that mingle with citrus zest and wet stone tones that mingle in the glass. The silky texture entices as ripe strawberry and guava flavors enter the fray, mixing with shades of Mandarin orange zest and earthy undertones that shine brightly on the palate. This is seriously good now and will only improve with cellaring."

**93
Points**

Vinous

"Deep, glistening red. Sexy, assertively perfumed aromas of fresh red fruits, potpourri and baking spices, with a hint of cola in the background. Juicy and focused on the palate, Jay's 2017 Pinot Noir offers vibrant raspberry, bitter cherry, blood orange and rose pastille flavors and a late jolt of spicy white pepper. Made in a fresh, exuberant style, with silky tannins sneaking in slowly to add shape and grip to the impressively long, spice-accented finish. Aged in 30% new oak."

**93
Points**

Wine Spectator

"A lovely wine, elegantly complex and expressive, with raspberry and rose petal aromas accented by a hint of cardamom. Builds tension toward refined tannins. Drink now through 2029."

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Points**