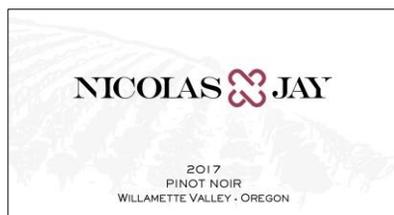


Nicolas-Jay Estate
Pinot Noir
Willamette Valley, 2017



- **Farming:** Bio-dynamic, Organic &/or LIVE
- **Harvested:** September 27th – October 5th
- **Harvest Brix:** 22.7
- **Fermentation:** Native

Fining/Filtration: None
TA: 4.9g/L, **pH:** 3.66
Cooperage: 30% new French oak, 12 months
Date bottled: February 1st, 2019

93 Points 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 Antonio Galloni 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

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.

