

# NICOLAS JAY

**2017 Pinot Noir**

Bishop Creek · Oregon

**Press Accolades**



## STATS

Harvested: September 29th and 30th, 2017

Harvest Brix: 22.5-23.1

Alcohol: 13.5%

TA: 4.9g/L  
pH: 3.73

Cooperage:  
50% new French oak  
50% neutral oak

Date bottled: February 1st, 2019

Cases made: 270

Winemakers:  
Jean-Nicolas Méo  
Tracy Kendall

## Vinous

"Shimmering ruby-red. Heady, spice- and mineral-accented cherry and blue fruit liqueur aromas take on incense and floral accents with air. Juicy, seamless and concentrated, offering densely packed black raspberry, boysenberry and cherry liqueur flavors that show sharp delineation and smoky back-end thrust. Finishes extremely long and lively, with resonating blue fruit, mineral and floral notes and polished tannins that make a late appearance. 50% new oak."

**95 Points**

## Wine Enthusiast

"Bishop Creek is the estate vineyard, now two decades old and coming into its prime. This is a wine to stash and savor down the road a bit. Currently it's tight and firm, lightly herbal, detailed and impeccably balanced with a mix of wild berries, citrus and soil. Drink 2022 through the rest of the decade and perhaps beyond."

**93 Points**

## International Wine Report

"The stunning 2017 Bishop Creek vineyard, Pinot Noir from Nicolas -Jay is a gem of a wine. Fresh blueberries, red currants, toasted hazelnuts and dried thyme explode from the gorgeous ruby core. The nose is so perfectly poised that I spent 15 minutes enjoying it unfolding in the glass before I could dare take a sip. The mouthfeel is full-bodied and sits in your mouth as if you are walking a tight-rope, but staying perfectly balanced throughout. Flavors of ripe marionberries, huckleberries, dried mushroom, and a bit of smoked earth coat your palate to a long, textured finish. This wine is serious - seriously delicious. Only 270 cases made."

**96 Points**  
**(top 100)**

## James Suckling

"Very attractive aromas of violet flowers and blueberries sit in a fresh array of earth and spice complexity. The palate has a sleek and fluid build with a very polished core of fresh, fine tannin."

**93 Points**

## Wine Spectator

"Refined and keenly focused, with distinctive cherry and guava flavors that are laced with rose petal and savory spice accents, picking up tension and polish toward fine-grained tannins. Drink now through 2027."

**93 Points**