



NICOLAS  JAY

2018 PINOT NOIR
BISHOP CREEK
YAMHILL - CARLTON · OREGON

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American Viticultural Area: Yamhill-Carlton

Vineyard Size: 6.07 hectares Fermentation: Native Yeast
Planted: 1988 Aging: 15 months in French Oak
Soil: Marine Sedimentary Production: 12 Barrels

Unfined & Unfiltered
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GOVERNMENT WARNING: (1) ACCORDING TO THE SURGEON GENERAL, WOMEN SHOULD NOT DRINK ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES DURING PREGNANCY BECAUSE OF THE RISK OF BIRTH DEFECTS. (2) CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES IMPAIRS YOUR ABILITY TO DRIVE A CAR OR OPERATE MACHINERY, AND MAY CAUSE HEALTH PROBLEMS.

750 ML · CONTAINS SULFITES · ALC 13.5% BY VOL



The site features 13.5 planted acres, with 11 of those acres being four different clones of Pinot Noir; 777, Wädenswil, Pommard and 667. Adding to the site's diversity, the elevations at Bishop Creek range from 270 feet to 700 feet, with predominately north-south plantings.

The property contains 1988 plantings of ungrafted rootstock with tight spacing of 5' x 5' dimensions. Soil type consists of ancient marine sedimentary and alluvial deposits with high drainage properties and an extremely low water table. This, along with Yamhill-Carltons warm days and cool evenings, creates substantial vine stress that results in the production of small, intense berries and very low tonnage per acre.

Harvested: September 18
Harvest Brix: 22.4
Alcohol: 13.5%
TA: 5.3g/L, **pH:** 3.63
Winemaking: Native yeast, unfined, unfiltered, vegan
Cooperage: 50% New French Oak, 15 months
Date Bottled: June 16, 2020
Production: 12 barrels

2017 Vintage

96 Points (TOP 100)



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 tightrope, 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.

95 Points



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.

2018 Vintage

95 Points



The Bishop Creek Pinot Noir always delivers, think aromas of crushed wild blackberry, white cracked peppercorn, dried lavender, toasted almonds and sweet baking spices.



94 Points

Ripe red and black cherry aromas, a hint of spice, and a texture that is lovely, rich, and dense but not heavy. This wine shows well now but will certainly age for at least a decade.