

## NICOLAS-JAY ESTATE 2018 PINOT NOIR, WILLAMETTE VALLEY

### Harvest

After a cool March, a wet April made for a slightly later than average bud break. Warm and dry weather thereafter made for normal bloom and veraison timing. While summer was warm, we had no heat spikes of past years, and the grapes matured without fear of sun burn or dehydration. Harvest gave us an absolutely perfect picking window. Grapes gained phenological maturity, and sugar accumulation progressed with an astonishing no loss of acid. We watched, tasted, tested and planned out our picking schedule - a luxury unknown in many vintages with looming rain or heat spikes. All vineyards were picked from the 14th of September to the 30th. For the first time, we saw almost perfect chemistry in the fruit - gorgeous ripe flavors, with ideal sugar and acid balance. The resulting wines are dense, aromatically complex with linear precision and age worthy tannins.

### Winemaker Tasting Notes

Fantastic bright red edge with density and color saturation representative of a sound vintage. Fresh orange zest, crushed lavender, freshly picked cherry and Christmas spices swirl gently from the glass. Immediate drive on the pallet, a beam of tart raspberry and clove saturate with granite and wet stones as the acid and grape tannins expand and broaden. This stunning mixture of citrus and density of fruit are indicative of a classic blend that will further reveal itself with rest and time in the cellar.



La Colina Vineyard



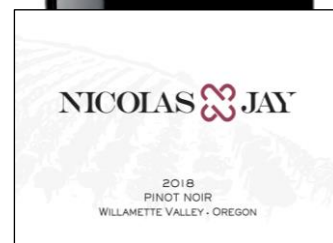
Momtazi Vineyard



Nysa Vineyard



Bishop Creek Vineyard



**Harvested:** Sept 14-23  
**Harvest Brix:** 23.1, **Alcohol:** 13.5%  
**TA:** 5.1g/L, **pH:** 3.58  
**Winemaking:** Native yeast, unfined, unfiltered, vegan  
**Cooperage:** 20% New French Oak, 13 months  
**Date Bottled:** June 17, 2020  
**Production:** 25 barrels

### Sourcing

Vineyard	AVA	Vine Age	Contribution	Farming	% Share
Bishop Creek	Yamhill-Carlton	33 years	"Power, granite, blue fruits"	Organic	48%
La Colina	Dundee Hills	22 years	"Pomegranate, clove, black tea"	LIVE	32%
Nysa	Dundee Hills	31 years	"Elegance, red fruits, spice"	Organic	12%
Hopewell	Eola-Amity	15 years	"Blue fruit, floral, wet stone"	Organic	4%
Momtazi	McMinnville	22 years	"Wild blackberry, sweet citrus"	Bio-Dynamic	4%

### 94 Points



"Silky, savory and well-knit, with polished raspberry, spiced cinnamon and orange peel accents that build tension toward refined tannins."

### 93 Points



"Fresh red cherry, black tea, milk chocolate pencil shavings and toasted clove pop on the nose. Wonderful crunchy red fruit and some toasted anise hit the palate along with bountiful acidity..."

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"The nose offers a sophisticated impression of deep and gently earthy blueberries and cherries with a fresh-herb flush, too..."

**WILLAMETTE VALLEY PINOT NOIR**

This is a story of a three-decade friendship between famed Burgundian winemaker Jean-Nicolas Méo and visionary music entrepreneur Jay Boberg, and their shared appreciation for the phenomenal quality and potential of Oregon Pinot Noir.

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