

LANGE

ESTATE WINERY & VINEYARDS



2018 PINOT NOIR CLASSIQUE

THE VINTAGE

A blockbuster vintage, 2018 yielded some of the most concentrated, highly structured wines we've seen over the past decade. Early bud break followed by warm, even days throughout the growing season allowed grapes to retain naturally high acidity while delivering richness of fruit and fully developed flavors.

THE VINEYARD

This Pinot Noir is a blend of fruit from Langes' longtime vineyard partners, including Freedom Hill, Temperance Hill, Mistletoe, Durant, Yamhill, Hirschy, Madrona Hill, and our own Lange Estate vineyards.

THE WINEMAKING

Our Pinot Noir Classique is an assemblage of all our North Willamette Valley vineyard sites and is a fine example of expert blending by our winemaking team, embodying our true "Classique" style and spirit. Aged in 15% new French oak, grapes designated for this blend were hand-harvested and fermented separately by vineyard and block, allowing the Langes to create this precise and tightly-focused signature wine that consistently over-delivers for the price.

WINEMAKER'S TASTING NOTES

Fresh and approachable upon release, this wine opens with a complex, deeply perfumed nose of black cherry and black raspberry followed by black tea, pamplemousse, sweet cedar, and violet. Silky and expansive on the palate, it's a precisely balanced wine, with pitch-perfect acidity adding lift to a red and blue-fruited core that's framed in fine-grained tannins. Tahitian vanilla, baking spice, and smoky minerality emerge at the close.

ACCOLADES

2018 - 92 Points - James Suckling, 90 Points - Wine Spectator
2017 - 91 Points - "Editors' Choice" - Wine Enthusiast, 91 Points - James Suckling, 90 Points - International Wine Report
2016 - 91 Points - "Editors' Choice" - Wine Enthusiast
2015 - 92 Points - James Suckling, 90 Points - Vinous

VARIETAL: 100% Pinot Noir
APPELLATION: Willamette Valley
PRODUCTION: 1,900 cases
ALCOHOL: 13.7%
RETAIL: \$25.00

