



REX HILL

*2017 Sims Vineyard
Pinot Noir*

PAST VINTAGE

91 PTS

Wine Spectator

2017 WINE ADVOCATE'S
EXTRAORDINARY WINERY

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APPELLATION:	<i>Willamette Valley</i>
VARIETAL COMPOSITION:	<i>100% Pinot Noir</i>
HARVEST DATES:	<i>October 6th & 11th, 2017</i>
VINEYARD SOURCES:	<i>100% Sims Vineyard</i>
CELLAR TREATMENT:	<i>French oak, aged 10 months, 20% New Oak</i>
DATE BOTTLED:	<i>August 28, 2018</i>
PRODUCTION:	<i>239 cases (12 / 750 ml)</i>
BOTTLING CHEMISTRY:	<i>pH 3.3, TA 6.6g/L, Alcohol 14.0%</i>

TASTING NOTES:

The deeply colored 2017 REX HILL Sims Vineyard Pinot Noir from the Dundee Hills AVA has great intensity. Red fruits greet the nose, cherry, raspberry, plum, pomegranate, along with inviting spices and earth, floral and herbal tones. Great purity and focus mark the juicy palate showing a tensile quality between the lively acidity and the mild-mannered, chalky tannins. Aromatically powerful, with a complex backbone, this is a wine that is delightful now, but should also age beautifully.

2017 VINTAGE NOTES:

A cool, wet spring led to the latest budbreak we've seen for the past several years, and hence later flowering. This means a greater chance of favorable weather and the development of a large crop both in terms of berry quantity and size. This calls for discipline in fruit-thinning. The summer was warm and sunny, accumulating growing degree days and 'catching up' the projected harvest to about two weeks behind 2015 and 2016. Underlying the challenges of the 2017 vintage, was a very sound growing season and harvest.

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