



REX HILL

*2017 Sunny Mountain
Vineyard Pinot Noir*

PAST VINTAGE

93 PTS

Wine Advocate

2017 WINE ADVOCATE'S
EXTRAORDINARY WINERY

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APPELLATION: *Willamette Valley*

VARIETAL COMPOSITION: *100% Pinot Noir*

HARVEST DATES: *October 8th, 2017*

VINEYARD SOURCES: *100% Sunny Mountain Vineyard*

CELLAR TREATMENT: *French oak, aged 13 months, 33% New Oak*

DATE BOTTLED: *December 12, 2018*

PRODUCTION: *179 cases (12 / 750 ml)*

BOTTLING CHEMISTRY: *pH 3.6, TA 6.1g/L, Alcohol 14.1%*

TASTING NOTES:

The pretty 2017 REX HILL Sunny Mountain Vineyard Pinot Noir greets with floral notes like violets and lavender, delicate red and black fruit aromas, and hints of sweet oak and faint spices like cinnamon and mace. As the wine opens, whole cluster attributes reveal deeper, darker fruits evoking blackberry jam with thyme, ruby port, and some earth and savory notes. Lithe and restrained, this wine shows great tension between fruit, acid and tannin promising the structure to age well.

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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