



REX HILL

2016 Shea Vineyard Pinot Noir

APPELLATION: Yamhill-Carlton
 VARIETAL COMPOSITION: 100% Pinot Noir
 HARVEST DATA: September 22nd, 2016
 VINEYARD SOURCES: 100% Shea Vineyard
 CELLAR TREATMENT: French oak, aged 11 months, 40% new oak
 DATE BOTTLED: August 30th, 2017
 PRODUCTION: 238 cases (12/750 ml)
 BOTTLING CHEMISTRY: pH 3.63, TA 6.3 g/l, alcohol 13.9%

TASTING NOTES:

The 2016 REX HILL SHEA VINEYARD PINOT NOIR is a deep ruby color opening with juicy and bold primary aromas of red cherry pie, raspberry, blueberry, black currant, cassis, black Doris plum and black fig. Secondary notes of black pepper, fresh cut wood and forest floor emerge as the wine opens. The palate is plush, opulent and vibrant with restrained, integrated tannins showing an abundance of red fruit flavors and a dash of confectionary notes. A high percentage of whole-cluster grapes present another layer of flavor without, this time, necessarily contributing to structure. The finish is long, with lingering flavors of blackberry liqueur and Assam tea. While drinking well now, this is a wine built for aging, with all the components in decadent harmony, sure to grow more complex over the next 10 to 15 years.

2016 VINTAGE NOTES:

The 2016 vintage was one of contrasts. Record warm temperatures pushed budbreak and flowering earlier than ever. This heat interspaced with rain led to very fast growth and heightened mildew pressure, but 100 degree days gave way to mild temperatures through the summer slowing growth and ripening. Veraison was almost three weeks in some vineyards leading to a long and stretched out harvest. A short heat wave before picking pushed some vineyards to ripen and we had to work quickly to bring the fruit in before it became overripe. All in all, we saw beautiful weather, a little lower yields than projected and tremendous clean, concentrated and fully ripened fruit.

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