



SWEET CHEEKS WINERY & VINEYARD

2016 PINOT NOIR

APPELLATION : Willamette Valley, Oregon

VARIETAL COMPOSITION : 100% Pinot Noir

HARVEST DATE(S) : September 14th - 26th 2016

VINEYARD SOURCES : Sweet Cheeks Vineyards
Five Fourteen Vineyards
Andreas Vineyards

COOPERAGE : Aged in all French Oak for 9 months. 28% New, 31%
2nd / 3rd Use, 46% Neutral.

BOTTLING DATE : September 2, 2017

CASE PRODUCTION : 1,675 Cases Produced

WINE ANALYSIS : pH : 3.65 | TA : 5.8 g/l | Alcohol : 13.9% | RS : 0.34 g/l

TASTING NOTES

When you think of Oregon wines, Pinot Noir probably comes to mind due to our ideal growing climate for this varietal. As would be expected, Pinot Noir in the cornerstone of our winemaking program and each year we look forward to releasing another vintage. Pinot Noir perfectly encompasses a mingling of beautiful berry notes upfront with the darker toasted characteristics and the earthy tinge that make this varietal.

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2016 HARVEST OVERVIEW

The 2016 growing season in Oregon mimicked the previous few vintages with one of the earliest bud breaks yet. Spring came quickly with warm days that turned into temperate summer months. Bloom saw a miniature heat wave that tapered the size and set of the fruit. Though the growing season got off to an early start, the more even summer temperatures slowed things and allowed the fruit to develop thoroughly with delectable complexity and intense flavor. The vintage resulted in, once again, extraordinary fruit quality, but with yields closer to pre-2014 vintages.

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Our passion is to create wines that reflect the beauty surrounding us in the Southern Willamette Valley. We believe in producing exceptional wines through gentle processing. Each vintage is unique and we invite you to experience it.

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Established as a vineyard in 1978, the 55 acre estate vineyard sits on 140 acres of prime sloping hillside in the Southern region of the Willamette Valley wine appellation.