

2017 FLOOD LINE PINOT NOIR

The 2017 Flood Line Pinot Noir hails from two distinct sites in the Eola-Amity Hills - Valin-Morrissey (2016 was 100% from here) and Bois Joli. Valin-Morrissey was initially a land lease; Rex Hill Vineyards paid to develop this land. Years later, when they started cutting away properties, Valin-Morrissey was the last on the chopping block. We thought it was crazy to let such an incredible site go and pounced on it, farming it collaboratively and sustainably. Perched up high on the west (Amity) side of the hills, Bois Joli is also farmed sustainably, using uncertified biodynamic and organic preparations by the owners and growers - the Bond family.



VINEYARDS

VITICULTURAL AREA

Eola-Amity Hills AVA

GROWERS/OWNERS

Valin-Morrissey: owned by Jeff Valin, farmed by Rob Clarke Bois-Joli: owned and farmed by Barb Bond & Rob Kistler

SOIL TYPE

Jory (VM) & Volcanic with Marine Sediments (BJ)

VINE AGE

Planted in 2004 (VM) and 1983 (BJ)

VINEYARD SIZE

Valin Morrissey is a total of seven acres, Averæn contracts the entire vineyard. Bois-Joli is eight acres, two of which are for Averæn

WINEMAKING

VARIETIES

100% Pinot Noir

HARVEST

October 10th – 15th

FERMENTATION

Native yeast fermentation in temperature controlled stainless steel with 30% stem inclusion

AGING

12 months in French oak - 40% new, 20% second use, 40% neutral Rousseau, Remond & Cavin barrels (228L)

LABS

13.2% ABV 3.52pH 6.62 TA

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PRESS

92 POINTS, VINOUS

"Deep brilliant red. Mineral-driven raspberry, cherry and potpourri aromas show very good clarity and pick up hints of cola and Asian spices with air. Palate-staining, sappy red fruit and spicecake flavors are given lift and spine by a core of juicy acidity. Densely packed but lithe in style, finishing very long and spicy, with smooth tannins lending gentle grip." - Josh Raynolds