



# 2016 NYSA VINEYARD PINOT NOIR

NYSA is arguably the Willamette Valley's most hallowed vineyard site, meticulously farmed by Michael Mega. The vineyard shares a fenceline with Domaine Drouhin and also neighbors Renegade Ridge (Archery Summit) and Domaine Serene. Southeast facing slopes with Jory soils - the famous red dirt, volcanic soils typical of Dundee. This late-ripening "grand cru" plot is known for tiny clusters, intense color, and the general texture and vibes of Dundee but with muscular framing and lifted spiced/floral tones.



## VINEYARD

### VITICULTURAL AREA

Dundee Hills AVA

### GROWER/OWNER

Michael Mega with consulting viticulturist Jessica Cortell of Vitis Terra

### SOIL TYPE

Jory

### CLONE SELECTION

Pommard/Coury/115/777

### VINE AGE

Planted in 1988

### VINEYARD SIZE

Total of twenty acres, Averaen is two blocks (one original, one 2001)

### ASPECT/ELEVATION

Southeast facing at 675' elevation

## WINEMAKING

### WINEMAKER

Adam Smith

### VARIETIES

100% Pinot Noir

### HARVEST

September 9<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup>

### FERMENTATION

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

### AGING

12 months in French oak - 50% new, 25% second use, 25% neutral

### BARRELS

François Frères & Remond barrels (228L)

ALC 13.4%

pH 3.6

TA 6.6

PRODUCTION 6 barrels

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## PRESS

### 93 POINTS - VINOUS

"A highly aromatic bouquet evokes red fruit liqueur, mocha and Asian spices, along with a smoky mineral overtone. Juicy, seamless and precise on the palate, offering sweet raspberry, rose pastille and spicecake flavors that deepen and spread out steadily with air. Conveys a suave blend of richness and finesse and finishes with supple, harmonious tannins and outstanding clarity and floral-tinged persistence."

— Josh Reynolds

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