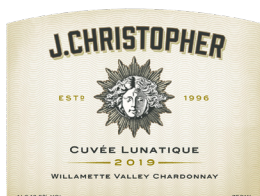


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## Highlights from the Press – J. Christopher 2019

### WHITE WINES



#### J. Christopher Chardonnay, Cuvée Lunatique, Willamette Valley 2019

**[93] Tasting Panel — Best Chardonnays — (\$25 & Under)**

The winery is owned by renowned Mosel producer Ernst Loosen. This is a divinely lean white. Just-ripened pineapple and a salty mineral tension deliver a subtle zing on the palate. Finishes with a crisp lemon twist. *July 2023*

**[92] James Suckling**

Aromas of sweet lemon and fresh herbs. Medium-bodied with pleasant mineral character. Ripe citrus and a hint of stone fruit on the palate. Refreshing tannins on the finish. Drink or hold. *June 2022*

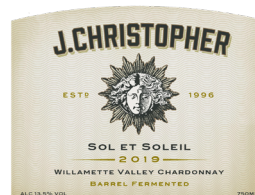
**[91] Wine Enthusiast — Editors' Choice —**

This neatly matches firm acids to a creamy base, with orange creamsicle flavors. A mix of orange, tangerine, lemon and lime flavors, it has seen no new oak, ensuring that the fruit is the star. *March 2022*

**[89] Wine Spectator**

Creamy and soft, with easygoing pear and wildflower accents that linger on a silky finish. *April 2022*

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#### J. Christopher Sol et Soleil Chardonnay, Willamette Valley 2019

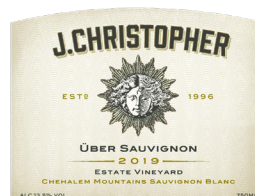
**[91] Wine Enthusiast**

Done in a barrel fermented style, this makes a fine counterpoint to the winery's stainless Cuvée Lunatique. The Sol, on the other hand, comes on as soft and toasty, with a mix of rich apple, cream, butter and caramel. *March 2022*

**[90] Wine Spectator**

Polished and elegantly structured, with baked pear, toasty spice and jasmine blossom accents that glide on a long finish. *April 2022*

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#### J. Christopher Über-Sauvignon Croft Vineyard, Sauvignon Blanc, Chehalem Mountains 2019

**[92] James Suckling**

Aromas of stone fruit, fresh tropical fruit and candied ginger. Medium-bodied and lightly mineral. Delicate, but with presence and length. *June 2022*

**[90] Wine Enthusiast**

Tart and snappy, this nicely focused wine brings crisp apple, pear and melon fruit into the center ring. Aged and fermented in Acacia casks, it's lightly touched with vanilla and finishes fresh and clean. *March 2022*

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## RED WINES



### J. Christopher Pinot Noir, Basalte, Willamette Valley 2019

#### [93] *Wine Spectator*

Gracefully structured, with a vibrant beam of cherry and raspberry flavors accented by stony minerality and dusky spices. Builds richness toward refined tannins. *November 15, 2023, Reviewed by Tim Fish*

#### [93] *Northwest Wine Report* — Critic's Choice —

As the name indicates, fruit for this wine comes from sites on fractured basalt soils. The aromas are appealing, with notes of satsuma, black tea, cherry, forest floor, sarsaparilla, and cedar. Medium-bodied, juicy cola and cherry flavors follow. There's pleasing intensity and elegance. Vibrant acidity ties it all together. It's a knockout and an outrageous value to boot. *July 14, 2023*

#### [92] *James Suckling*

Attractively savory nose of mushrooms, sea urchins, cherries, slate and green strawberries. It's sleek, savory and mineral, with a medium body, fine-grained tannins and a more stony finish. *April 2023*

#### [92] *Owen Bargreen*

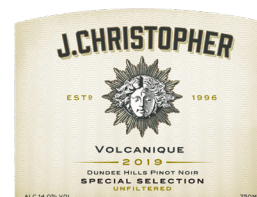
The outstanding 'Basalte' Pinot Noir comes from a site littered by fractured basalt. Medium-bodied kirsch and red raspberry flavors greet you alongside soft tannins and stony undercurrents on the palate. *December 2024*

#### [90] *Wine Enthusiast*

An aroma pleasingly similar to a grape popsicle collides with notes of wet granite, rose petals, and clove. Bright red raspberry and cranberry flavors are joined by dark chocolate and coriander. Gentle acidity and soft tannins make for easy sipping. *November 2023*

#### [16] *Jancis Robinson*

Pale ruby. Rain on volcanic rock and rich, ripe red cherry on the nose. Fresh high acidity and fine, mouth-drying, sticky tannin. Well balanced. *July 2023*



### J. Christopher Pinot Noir, Volcanique Special Selection, Dundee Hills 2019

#### [94] *Wine Enthusiast* — Editors' Choice —

Boysenberries and cedar needles are the main aromas, flanked by notes of loamy soil and bittersweet dark chocolate. There is a beautiful balance here between bright red and cherry fruit, silky tannins and energetic acidity. The wine feels silky and full in the mouth, with traces of iron and burnt sugar on a very long finish. *November 2023*

#### [94] *International Wine Report*

An earthy and spicy effort that displays a medium ruby-garnet core with a lighter pink rim. Boisterous aromas of marionberries, mountain blueberries, pine forest herbs, and tilled earth are all present. Combine that with the smooth tannins and mouthwatering acidity and you have a wonderfully made wine that deserves your attention. *April 2024*

#### [94] *James Suckling*

A fresh and fleshy pinot with notes of red and blue fruit with blue flowers and pink peppercorns. Toned and persistent on the palate with silky texture and crunchy red berries. Its power is expressed in its delicacy. Delicious and attractive. *April 2023*

#### [93] *Owen Bargreen*

The 'Volcanique' is arguably the finest Pinot Noir in this new line, coming from the Dundee Hills AVA. It is nicely concentrated considering the coolness of the vintage. Wet rock and enoki mushroom flavors combine with wild raspberry and tart red currants on the palate. This shows both the stuffing and finesse to age well for another ten plus years. *December 2024*

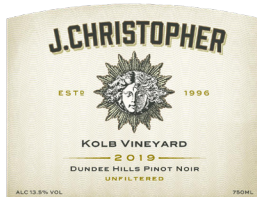
#### [90] *Northwest Wine Report*

Fruit for this wine comes from volcanic soils. Pale in color, cedar, clove, vanilla bean, tangerine rind, strawberry, and herb aromas are followed by juicy, lighter-styled fruit flavors. It's a very pretty interpretation of this variety. *July 14, 2023*

#### [16.5] *Jancis Robinson*

Pale ruby. Quiet, soft, red-cherry-fruited nose. Lightly sandy tannins on the palate and fresh acidity. Black-walnut bitters and spice on the finish. *July 2023*

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**J. Christopher Pinot Noir, Kolb Vineyard,  
Dundee Hills 2019**

**[94] *Decanter***

A cool vintage marries beautifully with the 25-year-old Pommard clone planted on this small 1.2ha vineyard in the Dundee Hills. Candied red and blueberry fruits, rose petals, and basil aromatics signal a very pretty wine. The palate offers an array of superlatives, fresh, elegant and graceful red fruits, raspberry, and bright strawberries meld with fresh wintergreen and herbal notes. The finish lingers long and elegant. *May 2023*

**[93] *Northwest Wine Report* — Critic's Choice —**

Fruit for this wine comes from 25-year-old ungrafted Pommard clone vines. Quite light in color, sarsaparilla, spice, herb, and dark cherry aromas lead to a broad-feeling, textured palate. There's a pleasing balance of elegance and richness. *July 14, 2023*

**[93] *Wine Enthusiast***

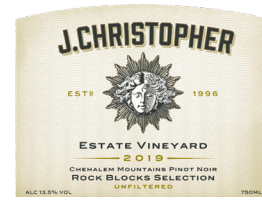
This is a lighter-bodied Pinot Noir that operationalizes the phrase "ethereal beauty." Blackberry and lavender aromas are joined by the earthy scent of an old leather-bound journal. Dried cherry, almond extract and bergamot tea flavors are graced by a lithe mouthfeel and integrated tannins. *October 2023*

**[93] *James Suckling***

Notes of dried strawberries and cherries with crushed spicy herbs and cocoa. Polished and silky with a medium body and mellow texture. Vivid crunchy red berried with some floral undertones. Long and textured. *April 2023*

**[92] *Owen Bargreen***

Very pale in color, this reveals a beautiful core of bright Bing cherry, cigar ash, kumquat zest and shades of guava on the palate. Very refined and elegant, this lighter to medium-bodied Pinot Noir is already shining brightly now. *December 2024*



**J. Christopher Pinot Noir,  
Estate Vineyard, Rock Blocks Selection,  
Chehalem Mountains 2019**

**[94] *Northwest Wine Report* — Critic's Choice —**

Aromas of cigar humidior, herb, sarsaparilla, cherry, and spice are followed by beautifully balanced, medium-bodied flavors that show depth, dimension, and intensity. There's pleasing tension between the richness and freshness, along with plenty of structure to support it all. It's completely captivating. *July 14, 2023*

**[93] *Decanter***

A selection of the estate's rockiest parcels at the highest point in the vineyard. The aromatics are concentrated around dark berries, clove, a touch of turned earth and dried violets. The palate is lush and ripe but balances toward freshness. Crushed stone minerality melds with ripe strawberry and blackberry smeared on hot stone. There is a touch of umami and subtle clove flavors. The finish is lifted with minerality and fresh mint. *May 2023*

**[93] *Owen Bargreen***

Also very light in color, the stony undertones really shine here. Layers of wet stone, cranberry and damp soil notes all come together nicely on the palate. With its smooth texture and bright underlying acidity, this is already beautifully evolved stuff. *December 2024*

**[93] *International Wine Report***

Boasting a medium glistening ruby core with a pinkish rim, the wine is rich with black cherry candy, huckleberries, cedary herbs, toasted anise, and a touch of earthiness. Offering a gorgeous structure without a lot of extra weight, it finishes with sweet rounded tannins and impressive acidity. *April 2024*

**[92] *James Suckling***

Flattering nose with cherries, strawberries, toasted bread and sweet spices. It's medium-bodied with sleek tannins and fresh acidity. So much pomegranate character on the silky palate. Crunchy and succulent with sour cherries towards the juicy finish. *May 2023*

**[91] *Wine Enthusiast***

An earthy/spicy nose features ripe black cherries and a tangy/meaty note that reminds me more than a little bit of a rack of ribs served with my favorite BBQ sauce —A rthur Bryant's Original. A clean, crisp texture, with pomegranate and blackberry tea flavors. Balanced, with modest acidity and silky tannins. *October 2023*

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**J. Christopher Pinot Noir,  
Medici Vineyard, Chehalem Mountains 2019**

**[94] *International Wine Report***

Displays a light brick-red core with a silvery rim. A very terroir-driven wine that sports notes of sweet black cherries, dried raspberries, red licorice, bitter herbs, and a touch of meatiness on the nose. Lush tannins, perfect acidity, and a red fruit and sweet spice finish complete the wine. *April 2024*

**[93] *Wine Enthusiast* — Cellar Selection —**

Briary red raspberries, lime zest and the fresh saline scent of the lining of a fresh-shucked oyster are lively and refreshing. This is a beautifully balanced wine, where the smoked red cherry, lemon citrus and black tea flavors are in harmony with snappy acidity and sturdy tannins. *November 2023*

**[92] *Northwest Wine Report***

There's some initial reduction on the aromas. Beyond that are notes of tangerine rind, pepper, cola, cherry, stem, and ash. Svelte, juicy red fruit flavors follow, broadening over time. *July 14, 2023*

**[91] *Owen Bargreen***

A beautiful wine to enjoy now, shows salty soil flavors alongside red currants, tobacco leaf and red raspberry flavors. Light to medium-bodied, enjoy now and over the next seven plus years. *December 2024*

**[16.5] *Jancis Robinson***

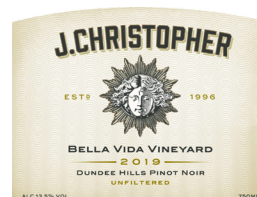
Pale ruby. Soft spongy wood covered in moss, an earthy spice layered on top of red-cherry fruit and cola. Refreshing acidity with a punch of cranberry character. Nicely balanced with soft tannins. *July 2023*



**J. Christopher Pinot Noir, Corrine Vineyard,  
Chehalem Mountains 2019**

**[93] *James Suckling***

A very attractive and characterful pinot with fresh red berries, dried oranges, crushed lavender, bergamot and Asian spices. Medium-bodied, silky and delicate, with lively acidity and supple tannins. Tense and minerally. *April 2024*



**J. Christopher Pinot Noir,  
Bella Vida Vineyard, Dundee Hills 2019**

**[96] *International Wine Report***

A stunning wine that boasts a dazzling neon raspberry core with a light blue rim. It offers a delightful aroma of crushed strawberries, red currants, dried herbs, citrus zest, and earthy dried flowers. The wine has crunchy tannins, which lead to a medium-bodied mouthfeel, and a long-lasting, spiced-driven finish. *April 2024*

**[95] *Wine Enthusiast* — Cellar Selection —**

The wine's aromatic combination of dried rose petals, red raspberries and lilacs with traces of loam and barnyard may draw comparisons to a certain region in France. Bing cherry, anise and espresso with a lemon twist flavors coat the palate. Muscular tannins and juicy acidity. *November 2023*

**[95] *Tasting Panel* — Publisher's Picks —**

Aromas of cinnamon cherry leads to a savory, earthy red with clean lines and a delicate body. Roses and animale are positioned along ribbons of wild strawberry, orange peel, and a hint of clove. *July 2023*

**[93] *James Suckling***

This is a spicy and bold Pinot with aromas of plums, raspberries, sandalwood, cinnamon and currants. Juicy and delicious, with a relatively full body, tight-grained tannins and creamy red berry fruit intertwined with sweet spices on a long finish. *May 2023*

**[92] *Northwest Wine Report* — Cellar Stocker —**

The aromas are perfumed, with notes of strawberry, rain-soaked herb, and wet stone. Lighter-styled, juicy flavors follow, with pleasing textural richness. It sticks around for a long time on the finish. *July 14, 2023*

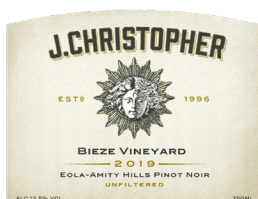
**[92] *Owen Bargreen***

Offers medium bodied red and black fruit flavors alongside freshly tilled stony soils and suggestions of peat moss on the palate. This is seriously good now and will offer drinking enjoyment for another ten years. *December 2024*

**[16.5] *Jancis Robinson***

Pale ruby. It has an earthiness and lightness about it that suggests an Old-World wine. Fresh red fruit and nuanced, balanced new oak for around 18 months adding spice. Round palate and a touch of black fruit with light tannin and high, fresh acidity. An extended, lingering finish. *July 2023*

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**J. Christopher Pinot Noir,  
Beize Vineyard, Eola-Amity Hills 2019**

**[94] *International Wine Report***

A glimmering light neon ruby core with a bluish rim in the glass. A spectacular fresh nose of macerated strawberries, dried earth, fresh blue plum skin, toasted tree nuts, and warm spice pops from the glass. Sweet tannins, gorgeous acidity, and a long blue-fruit-forward finish complete the wine. *April 2024*

**[93] *Decanter***

Concentrated dark fruits and turned earth aromatics dominate this Pinot sourced from the higher elevations in the Eola-Amity Hills. Black cherry, coffee bean and sous bois mark this savoury rich wine. The palate is lushly fruited but underlined by notes of salinity. Crushed basalt and soy-driven umami wrap themselves around a core of black fruit. An interplay of figs, plums and cherries. *May 2023*

**[92] *Wine Enthusiast***

This wine is the Bieze knees. Its raspberry and dried rose petal aromas are counterpointed by the smell of worn leather that may as well be James Dean's motorcycle jacket. The fruit is darker on the balanced palate, with a blackberry popsicle flavor uniting with notes of black tea and cedar. *November 2023*

**[92] *James Suckling***

Pretty notes of mocha, vanilla, strawberries, blueberries and lemons. It's bold and flavorful, with a medium body, vibrant acidity and powdery tannins. Plush and spicy finish. *May 2023*

**[92] *Owen Bargreen***

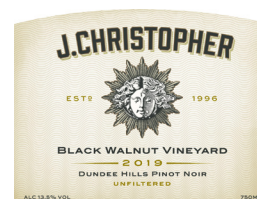
This Eola-Amity Hills bottling shows off ripe Bing cherry, wild mushroom and cigar box notes on the palate with a smooth texture and light tannins. Light to medium-bodied, this is very elegant Pinot Noir that will live on for at least another decade. *December 2024*

**[92] *Northwest Wine Report***

Coffee, tangerine rind, herb, cola, and black cherry aromas lead to fuller-feeling, sumptuous, palate coating, layered fruit flavors. There's richness combined with pleasing deftness. It's a complete delight. *July 14, 2023*

**[16.5] *Jancis Robinson***

Pale ruby. Orange oil and red cherry on the nose. Elevated but soft and broad acidity with soft, lightly bitter tannins that integrate well with clove and dried-rose-petal spice. *July 2023*



**J. Christopher Pinot Noir, Black Walnut Vineyard,  
Dundee Hills 2019**

**[94] *James Suckling***

Fresh cherries, grapefruit pith, savory herbs, licorice and hints of tobacco. Medium-bodied with a meaty structure and very fine, silk-like tannins. Poised and even with a lingering finish. *April 2024*