



J. CHRISTOPHER 2022 J.J Pinot Noir

Ripe, richly fruity, and with a persistent brightness, J.J is a juicy introduction to the world of Willamette Valley Pinot Noir.

This is an appealing, fruit-forward expression of cool-climate Willamette Valley Pinot Noir. The climate here is ideal for the delicate Pinot Noir grape, and the warm, dry summers allow for steady, even ripening. This cuvée showcases the rustic elegance that Oregon Pinot is known for and is suited for every palate, from newbie to oenophile. The wine was selected to deliver maximum Pinot pleasure for everyday enjoyment. The 2021 is lush and offers notes of cherry cola and black tea with a pleasing finish.

THE 2022 VINTAGE

2022 started off with a bang, or should we say a frost. At first we had the worst-case scenario in mind — something that had not been seen in 40 years. We thought that we may have lost 50 percent of the potential crop. Fortunately, mother nature worked her magic and we ended up being down only 20-25 percent. With the loss not as significant as we feared, and with plenty of extra fruit that we contracted in anticipation, we ended up with one of our largest harvests ever. What had started as a bad dream ended up making beautifully balanced wines that enjoyed plenty of hang time on the vine and excellent flavor development.

ABOUT J. CHRISTOPHER WINES

J. Christopher is a line of wines that elegantly capture the distinctive character of Oregon's Northern Willamette Valley. Owned by internationally renowned winegrower, Erni Loosen (also owner of Appassionata Estate, where the wines are produced), the focus is on expressive Pinot Noir, Chardonnay, Riesling and Sauvignon Blanc made using the patient, unhurried approach of the Old World. Fruit for J. Christopher Wines is sourced from excellent growers in several different sub-appellations of the Willamette Valley. With a deep commitment to environmentally sustainable farming and production practices, the mission of J. Christopher Wines is to produce terroir-driven wines in an age-worthy style that emphasizes finesse, length and balance.

TECHNICAL INFO

Appellation: Willamette Valley

Grape Variety: 100% Pinot Noir

Alcohol: 13.5%

Total Production: 2,365 cases

