



Highlights from the Press – J. Christopher 2021

WHITE WINES



J. Christopher Chardonnay, Cuvée Lunatique, Willamette Valley 2021

[90] Wine Enthusiast

An initial burst of tart pineapple is soon joined by outdoorsy aromas of lemon grass, cedar, and beeswax. The Lunatique has bright acidity to pair with its orange and white peach flavors. The midpalate has a nice bit of weight to accompany good length. At this price, it would be lunacy not to always keep a few bottles of this wine in the refrigerator. *Reviewed by Michael Alberty. October 2025*

RED WINES



J. Christopher Pinot Noir, Basalte, Chehalem Mountains 2021

[92] Wine Enthusiast

On the nose of this wine, black cherries and blueberries meet floral scents of lavender and hyacinth. These aromas are joined by a wisp of wet slate that floats in the background. Basalte feels round and smooth on the palate, with salty tannins and restrained acidity backing flavors like Bing cherries, orange zest and clove. Sip with a burger topped with Abbaye de Belloc cheese. *Reviewed by Michael Alberty. October* 2025



J. Christopher Pinot Noir, Volcanique Special Selection, Dundee Hills 2021

[90] Wine Enthusiast

The Volcanique possesses a cornucopia of Italian herb seasoning aromas, including thyme, oregano, basil and rosemary. The aromatic herb cloud surrounds notes of blackberries and pine needles. The balanced Pinot Noir offers rich blackberry, caramel and lavender matcha flavors supported by gentle acidity and velvety tannins. I dare you to not be hungry after sniffing and sipping this wine. *Reviewed by Michael Alberty. October 2025*



J. Christopher Pinot Noir, Lumiére Special Selection, Eola-Amity Hills 2021

[94] James Suckling

Notes of red cherries and currants with dried strawberry bush, crushed stone and seashells. Medium-bodied, vivid and racy on the palate with juicy acidity cutting through, giving it freshness and energy. Minerally and crisp. *April* 2024

[91] Wine Enthusiast

A wonderfully earthy nose of roadside blackberries, iodine and loamy soil will put you in the mood for a lazy Sunday drive in the country. Lumière's dark raspberry and cacao nib flavors are counterpointed by a tangy cherry tomato note. The medium-bodied wine's energetic acidity pairs with firm tannins and a long finish. *Reviewed by Michael Alberty. October* 2025

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J. Christopher Pinot Noir, Medici Vineyard, Chehalem Mountains 2021

[93] Wine Enthusiast — Editors' Choice —

The earthiness of blackberry tea teams up with the scent of salmon smoking on a cedar plank, giving this wine the ultimate Pacific Northwest aroma vibe. Gentle acidity is matched by silky tannins to provide the Medici with an elegant, almost plush mouthfeel. The wine's black fruit flavors are joined by a peach chutney's sweet and tart tang. Pair with a Pendleton wool shirt and the last backyard grill of fall. *Reviewed by Michael Alberty. October 2025*



J. Christopher Pinot Noir, Bieze Vineyard, Eola-Amity Hills 2021

[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. Reviewed by Michael Alberty. October 2025