

Loring Wine Company 2015 Clos Pepe Vineyard Pinot Noir

Wine Details

AVA Sta. Rita Hills

Clones 115, 777

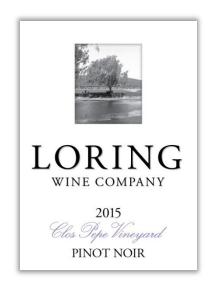
Alcohol 14.3 %

pH 3.65

Barrel Program Aged 10 Months in

French Oak (15% New)

Cases Produced 150



Clos Pepe Vineyard is in the northern valley of the Sta. Rita Hills. Planted in sandy soils, the fruit is very deep, well structured, and shows a lot of white pepper and baking spice character.

Reviews

Jeb Dunnuck (Wine Advocate)

92-94 Points

A classic expression of this site in the Sta. Rita Hills, the spice-filled 2015 Pinot Noir Clos Pepe Vineyard is medium-bodied and seamless on the palate, with a complete, balanced feel and tons of red plums, spice, crushed berry fruit and floral characteristics. It will easily be an outstanding Pinot Noir and have upwards of a decade of longevity.

Steve Heimoff (Former West Coast Editor of *Wine Enthusiast*) **94 Points**

The first word that popped into my head on tasting this wine was: "Pretty." And that is a compliment, not a slight. "Ravishing" works, too: raspberries and strawberries, with hints of bitter cranberries and pomegranates, wrapped into a tart, silky Pinot Noir that finishes with oaky vanilla and spicy-sweet coffee and mushroom earthiness.

Prince of Pinot (PinotFile)

92 Points

Moderately light reddish purple color in the glass. Aromas of black cherry, spice rub, potpourri and nutty oak give way in the mouth to a heady core of black cherry fruit that is framed by nutty oak. The velvety texture is quite seductive and the overall balance is commendable. Drinks well now but balance predicts good age ability.