

# Loring Wine Company 2015 Kessler-Haak Vineyard Pinot Noir

## Wine Details

**AVA** Sta. Rita Hills

**Clones** 113, 667, 777

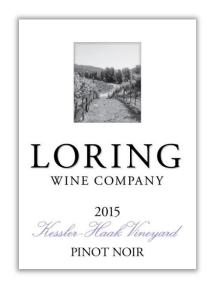
**Alcohol** 14.3 %

**pH** 3.65

Barrel Program Aged 10 Months in

French Oak (15% New)

Cases Produced 300



Kessler-Haak Vineyard is located in the northern valley of the Sta. Rita Hills next door to Clos Pepe Vineyard. Planted in sandy soils, the fruit is usually very deep, well structured, and shows a lot of depth and baking spice character.

### **Reviews**

#### **Jeb Dunnuck (Wine Advocate)**

**92-94 Points** 

A darker, more black fruit-driven effort from the Sta. Rita Hills, the 2015 Pinot Noir Kessler-Haak Vineyard sports a deep ruby color as well as terrific notes of smoked earth, licorice, spice box and assorted black fruits. Medium to full-bodied, nicely concentrated and rich, it stays elegant and layered on the palate, with beautiful purity.

#### **Prince of Pinot (PinotFile)**

93 Points

Moderately dark reddish purple hue in the glass. The nose is quite fruity, offering aromas of black cherry and blueberry-pomegranate. Delicious mid weight plus blueberry, blackberry, black raspberry, plum and spice flavors that are intense and energetic. A sublime wine with enviable balance, submerged tannins, and a rich, sappy follow through to a boisterous finish.

#### **Steve Heimoff** (Former West Coast Editor of *Wine Enthusiast*) 93 Points

Juicy, crisp and fruity are the highlights of this single-vineyard Pinot Noir, whose wines I've given good, sometimes great, scores to for many years. It's lithe in the mouth, showing a silky delicacy. But there's nothing delicate about the flavors: raspberries, cherries and pomegranates, spiced with nutmeg and cinnamon and crushed black pepper, and accented noticeably by toasty oak. It's really complex and approachable now.