

## Loring Wine Company 2016 Clos Pepe Vineyard Pinot Noir

## Wine Details

**AVA** Sta. Rita Hills

**Clones** 115, 777

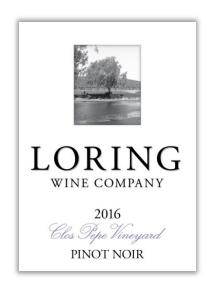
**Alcohol** 14.3 %

**pH** 3.65

Barrel Program Aged 10 Months in

French Oak (15% New)

Cases Produced 500



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 92 Points

The 2016 Pinot Noir Clos Pepe Vineyard from Loring sports a translucent ruby color to go with classic Sta. Rita Hills spice-box, dried earth and dried flower-like aromas and flavors. With a beautiful core of red and black fruits, medium-bodied richness, integrated acidity and a great finish, it's another terrific wine from this estate.

Wine Spectator 91 Points

Minerally and fresh-tasting, with good cut to the cherry, plum and minerally flavors that feature savory richness. Shows pure and lively spiciness on the finish, delivering hints of dark chocolate.

## **Lisa Perrotti-Brown (Wine Advocate)**

91 Points

Medium ruby-purple colored, the 2016 Pinot Noir Clos Pepe Vineyard is intensely scented of violets, licorice and black pepper over a core of cherry and blueberry preserves, plus a waft of Chinese five spice. The medium to full-bodied palate is laden with baked red and blue fruits, supported by big, soft tannins and just enough freshness, finishing long and spicy.