

2017 LONER PINOT NOIR "A BICYCLETTE"



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VITALS

Varietals Pinot Noir 97%, Chardonnay 3%

Vineyards John Sebastiano

Alcohol 14.1%

Barrels / Coopers 500L French Oak barrels

Barrel Aging 40 months

Rackings (at bottling)

Filtering / Fining None

Bottled February 2021

Production 125 cases

Release Fall 2021

Winery Retail \$90

WA 95

NOTES

This exquisitely perfumed, mouth-coating beverage is an ultra-deluxe composition of 97% Pinot Noir and 3% Chardonnay from the John Sebastiano vineyard, raised in neutral 500L barrels for nearly 3 years, with enough style, sophistication, and drama, to recall the black and white films of Louis Malle, and Truffaut...in which the main character is of course wearing a stylish scarf and some silly hat, riding a bicycle through damp, late-October-afternoon-sunlit Paris streets; instead of honking, motorists are smiling and waving because even French people were nicer then (at least in movies), and the character is not checking their cell-phone while riding the bicycle, not because that's a stupid thing to do, but because they didn't exist yet

Food: If you do beef, Beef! ...in whatever form..., that's kind of why Pinot Noir exists! If not, mon dieu(!), the next best thing (no, not ham) a mushroom ragout with a poached egg, or a broth, rich bean dish

Music: Yves Montand's A Bicyclette, Jolie Comme Un Rose, Les Feuilles Mortes; Stolen Moments, Oliver Nelson; Via Con Me, Paolo Conte; Zindy Lou, The Chimes; Mini Skirt, Kronos Quartett; Typewriter, Tip, Tip, Asha Bohsle & Kisore Kumar; Friday Afternoon In The Universe, MMW