



## Scores for Purple Hands' 2016 Vintage Pinot Noirs

### **91** LATCHKEY VINEYARD PINOT NOIR points 2016 DUNDEE HILLS (SOLD OUT)

Light to medium ruby in color, the 2016 Pinot Noir Latchkey Vineyard has a nose of delicate red cherry and cranberry with very pretty underlying spice notes—cloves, musk—and earthy aromas of forest floor and wet leaves. The palate is light to medium-bodied and elegant, with a crisp red fruit profile and plenty of acidity, finishing long with tart red fruit character. 480 cases produced. Drink Range: 2018-2022

### **91** FREEDOM HILL VINEYARD PINOT NOIR points 2016 WILLAMETTE VALLEY AVA

Pale to medium ruby-purple in color, the 2016 Pinot Noir Freedom Hill Vineyard is scented of ripe red cherries, redcurrants and red berry preserves with sweet spice and earthy nuances. The palate is light to medium-bodied with red fruits flavors over hints of cinnamon stick, clove, red licorice and forest floor. It's framed by very fine-grained tannins and has a great streak of acidity, finishing long. 480 cases produced. Drink Range: 2018-2023

### **90** STOLLER VINEYARD PINOT NOIR points 2016 DUNDEE HILLS

Pale to medium ruby in color, the 2016 Pinot Noir Stoller Vineyard opens with crisp, fresh red and black berries and cherries scents over a core of pulverized rock with pretty potpourri and baking spice notes. The palate is light to medium-bodied, packed with red and black cherries and currants flavors with soft tannins and plenty of freshness, finishing long with the red fruit and spice coming through. 480 cases produced. Drink Range: 2018-2022

### **91** SHEA VINEYARD PINOT NOIR points 2016 YAMHILL-CARLTON

Pale to medium ruby-purple in color, the 2016 Pinot Noir Shea Vineyard has a classic nose of bright cherry and cranberry with notions of cola, red licorice, dried leaves and spice. The palate is light to medium-bodied with a good core of earthy red fruit and lots of spicy layers, framed by grainy tannins and plenty of freshness, finishing long and savory. 250 cases produced. Drink Range: 2018-2023

### **93** HOLSTEIN VINEYARD PINOT NOIR points 2016 DUNDEE HILLS

Pale to medium ruby-purple, the 2016 Pinot Noir Holstein Vineyard opens with gorgeous scents of red and blackcurrants, cherries and ripe raspberry jam over a floral, spicy core—ground cinnamon, nutmeg, cola and potpourri—with underlying notions of forest floor, tree bark and dried leaves. The medium-bodied palate is packed full of red and black fruits with beautiful spice and earth layers, fine, grainy tannins and just enough freshness to lift the long, fruity/spicy finish. This is a bit more hedonistic in style than the rest of the profile from Purple Hands. 465 cases produced. Drink Range: 2018-2026

### **92** KROPF VINEYARD PINOT NOIR points 2016 DUNDEE HILLS AVA

Light to medium ruby in color, the 2016 Pinot Noir Kropf Vineyard has a lovely nose of cherry cola, red licorice and dried cherries over meaty notes of charcuterie and touches of dried leaves. Light to medium-bodied, the palate gives pretty ripe red fruit character with spicy/meaty notes, held together with good structuring tannins and loads of freshness, finishing very long and red fruited with some floral notes coming through. 125 cases produced. Drink Range: 2018-2025