



# ROCO WINERY

## 2007 Willamette Valley Pinot Noir

The aromas suggest rich earth, essence of oranges, pie cherries and with a purity of delicate spices. The mouth is bright with delectable red currants, bergamot, and lively raspberry fruit flavors, with a hint of white pepper with a creamy texture. Refreshing in the mouth with great length of raspberries and gravel in the finish.

ROCO wines are certified sustainably farmed and salmon safe. See [ROCOwinery.com](http://ROCOwinery.com) for more about our vineyards and farming practices.

### **ROCO Tasting Notes**

Rollin says, "Red raspberry and pie cherry fruit aromas, essence purity and a delicate spice. Bright, lively raspberry fruit flavors, a creamy texture, with a hint of white pepper. Refreshing in the mouth with great length of raspberries and gravel in the finish. Cote de Wits' Special."

Corby says, "A hint of rich earth and essence of orange in the nose. The robust raspberries add a lovely finish."

### **Winemaker's Vintage Notes**

Spring of 2007 was significantly dryer than the average Oregon spring. This can set the stage for a droughty growing season. This was the case in 2007. At our Wits' End vineyard we are graced with a natural fresh water spring that continues to bring us beautiful water even in the driest years. By supplying enough water to our Pinot Noir vines to keep the leaves perky, we were able to attain ripe fruit flavors by harvest-despite the drought season. A drink of water just before it got hot was the trick. Unlike many in the Willamette Valley we harvested on the 27th of September, just before a record rainfall. The resulting ROCO wine is gorgeous, red fruited and very appealing to all the senses. We kept our 'wits' about us in 2007

### **Designation & Production:**

Willamette Valley AVA  
700 Cases Produced  
Alcohol Content: 14%

### **Wine Advocate - 91 Points**

"The terroir-driven 2007 Pinot Noir is medium ruby-colored with an alluring bouquet of spice box, smoke, earth notes, cherry, and raspberry. Sweetly fruited and medium-bodied on the palate, it is a juicy, balanced, easy-going effort for drinking over the next 5 years. The French would call it a 'vin de plaisir'."

### **Wine Spectator online, December 31st - 89 Points**

ROCO named among "Top Oregon Pinot Noirs \$30 & Under"

"Light and tart, with pomegranate and raspberry flavors up front, picking up spicy, peppery overtones on the finish, giving the wine depth." - Harvey Steiman

