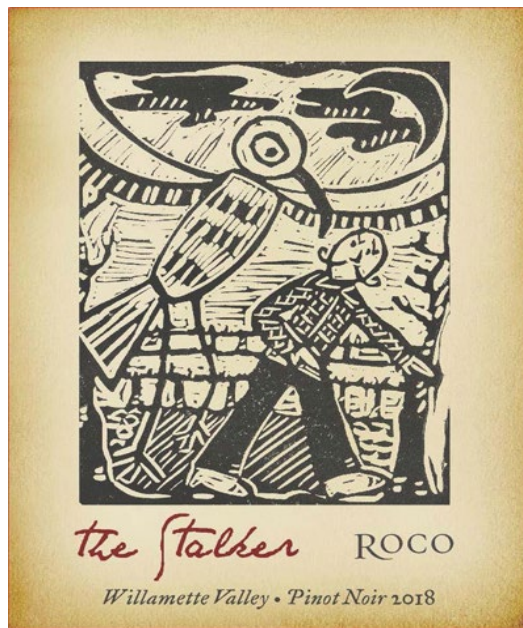


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# 92 points



**92 Roco 2018 The Stalker Pinot Noir (Willamette Valley).** As the name suggests, this is fermented with stalks, not clusters, to ramp up the phenolics. The technique has been developed over the years to make it less intrusive and more complementary to the fruit. Here the tight cherry flavors are framed with accents of green hay, fennel and stem, which stiffen up the tannins. A light touch of maple syrup runs through the finish. It's a unique wine that will reward aeration. —P.G.

**abv:** 14.5%

**Price:** \$40