## 2017 PINOT NOIR BIEN NACIDO SANTA MARIA VALLEY

2017 provided another crop that exalts the spicy, floral nature of Pinot Noir from this special vineyard. Even when picked at moderate levels of ripeness, the old Martini clones (planted in 1973) bring a powerful character of peak-ripe dark cherries, along with a strong spine of minerality. This element benefits from the lift that comes from the relatively younger, interplanted Dijon 777 vines. They bring a brighter radiance of hibiscus and pomegranate. The whole package closes out with spice, smoky tea and herbal gauze of THE whole cluster tannin.

> 93 Points Antonio Galloni

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