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*Willowbrook*

2017 Pinot noir

**Kaufman Sunnyslope  
Vineyard  
Sonoma Mountain**

**Appellation**

Sonoma Mountain

**Variety**

100% Pinot noir

**Alcohol**

14.3%

**Aging**

French Oak Barrels

**Bottle Size**

750 ml

Winemaker Joe Otos has been crafting award-winning wines from the prestigious Kaufman Sunnyslope vineyard since 2008. A five-acre site on the cooler north side of Sonoma Mountain, it produces Pinot noir grapes of the highest quality thanks to fog-free daytime sun offset by cool mountain evenings.

Picked on September 29th and fermented cool—and partially whole cluster—until gently pressed on October 12th, our 2017 *Willowbrook Cellars Kaufman Sunnyslope Vineyard Pinot noir* displays nuanced aromas of cherry and sandalwood. On the palate the wine offers abundant and interwoven flavors of blackberry, mushroom and savory spices, with a hint of almond. The rich, smooth mouthfeel leads to a perfectly focused finish of complex, nutty tannins and a gentle yet distinct acidity.



This layered Pinot noir is ready to drink now but will also benefit from aging for the next five years. It pairs naturally with meatloaf and oven-roasted potatoes or fine Manchego cheeses.