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Wine Enthusiast

*Willowbrook*

2018 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 October 12th and fermented cool—and partially whole cluster — until gently pressed on the 29th, our 2018 *Willowbrook Cellars Kaufman Sunnyslope Vineyard Pinot noir* displays nuanced aromas of cherry, tea and sandalwood. On the palate the wine offers abundant and interwoven flavors of blackberry, mushroom and savory spices, with a hint of cocoa. The poised, smooth mouthfeel leads to a focused finish of complex, nutty tannins and a gentle yet distinct acidity.



This layered Pinot is ready to drink now but will benefit from aging for the next five years. It pairs naturally with mushroom fettuccini, oven-roasted herb potatoes or fine Manchego.