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88 pts

Carlton Hill Vineyard 2006 Pinot Noir Yamhill Carlton District

Oregon, Oregon

Red wine from United States

Drinking window:

Light red. Bright strawberry and raspberry on the nose, with zesty mineral and floral qualities adding energy. Light-bodied red fruit flavors offer a nice blend of energy and depth and finish with gentle grip and good lift. Became sweeter with air but not at the expense of vivacity or cut.

Josh Reynolds, May 2008

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From Focus on Oregon Pinot Noir (May 2008)

Carlton Hill Vineyard

Grape/Blend

Pinot Noir

Release price

\$36.00

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90 pts

Carlton Hill Vineyard 2006 Pinot Noir Estate Reserve Yamhill-Carlton District

Oregon, Oregon

Red wine from United States

Drinking window:

Deep red. Sexy aromas of raspberry, cherry-vanilla and cola, with a strong undercurrent of gingerbread. Fleshy in texture, offering sweet red and dark berry flavors and good back-end minerality. The finish repeats the dark berry and cherry flavors and leaves a gentle spicy note behind. This is delicious right now.

Josh Reynolds, May 2009

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From Focus on Oregon Pinot Noir (May 2009)

Carlton Hill Vineyard

Also recommended: 2007 Pinot Noir Yamhill-Carlton District (85).

Grape/Blend

Pinot Noir

Release price

\$50.00

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87 pts

Carlton Hill Vineyard 2007 Pinot Noir Estate Reserve Yamhill-Carlton District

Oregon, Oregon

Red wine from United States

Drinking window:

Light red. Redcurrant and strawberry on the nose, with a hint of dried rose adding complexity. Light-bodied, juicy red berry and bitter cherry flavors are firm by tangy minerality but come across as a touch dry. Finishes with decent persistence and lingering florality.

Josh Reynolds, July 2010

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From Oregon Pinot Noir (Jul 2010)

Carlton Hill Vineyard

Grape/Blend

Pinot Noir

Release price

\$49.00

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90_{pts}

Carlton Hill Vineyard 2008 Pinot Noir Yamhill Carlton District

Oregon, Oregon

Red wine from United States

Drinking window:

Bright ruby-red. High-pitched aromas of raspberry, cherry and rose, with an appealing spicecake quality and a hint of vanilla. Juicy, focused and spicy on the palate, offering incisive red fruit flavors that give way to a deeper cherry quality on the back half. Finishes on a smoky note, with very good length and a repeating spice note. Drinks well now but has the balance to age.

Josh Reynolds, July 2011

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From Focus on Oregon Pinot Noir (Jul 2011)

Carlton Hill Vineyard

Grape/Blend

Pinot Noir

Release price

\$40.00

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92 pts

Carlton Hill Vineyard 2008 Pinot Noir Estate Reserve Yamhill-Carlton District

Oregon, Oregon

Red wine from United States

Drinking window:

Bright ruby. Explosively perfumed, oak-accented nose evokes black raspberry, cherry-cola and smoky Indian spices, with a sneaky floral quality building with air. Sappy, densely packed red and dark berry flavors show liqueur-like intensity but are impressively energetic. The spicy quality comes back strong on the finish, which clings with very good tenacity. I'd let this one age for at least another few years.

Josh Reynolds, July 2011

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Carlton Hill Vineyard

Grape/Blend

Pinot Noir

Release price

\$50.00

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88 pts

Carlton Hill Vineyard 2009 Pinot Noir Yamhill Carlton District

Oregon, Oregon

Red wine from United States

Drinking window:

Medium red. Redcurrant and cherry aromas are complemented by herb and smoke nuances, along with a hint of cracked pepper. Tightly wound and a bit tart, with good focus to the lively red berry and bitter cherry flavors. I like this wine's energy but some more flesh would have been nice. The finish is tangy, refreshingly bitter and nicely persistent.

Josh Reynolds, July 2011

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From Focus on Oregon Pinot Noir (Jul 2011)

Carlton Hill Vineyard

Grape/Blend

Pinot Noir

Release price

\$40.00

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91 pts

Carlton Hill Vineyard 2009 Pinot Noir Estate Reserve Yamhill-Carlton District

Oregon, Oregon

Red wine from United States

Drinking window:

Vivid ruby-red. Exotic, heady aromas of red and dark berry preserves, cola and smoky Indian spices. Cherry-vanilla and black raspberry flavors show very good depth and power, with gentle acidity adding lift and clarity. Finishes broad and smooth, with lingering spiciness and very good cling. This pinot is approachable now but has the depth to age.

Josh Reynolds, July 2012

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Carlton Hill Vineyard

Grape/Blend

Pinot Noir

Release price

\$50.00

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88 pts

Carlton Hill Vineyard 2010 Pinot Noir Yamhill Carlton District

Oregon, Oregon

Red wine from United States

Drinking window:

Dark red. Musky red berries and dried flowers on the nose. Sappy and focused, offering bitter cherry and anise flavors that show a slightly rigid edge. Finishes with good energy and cut, leaving red fruit and peppery spice notes behind.

Josh Reynolds, July 2012

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From Focus on Oregon Pinot Noir (Jul 2012)

Carlton Hill Vineyard

Grape/Blend

Pinot Noir

Release price

\$40.00

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Carlton Hill Vineyard 2011 Pinot Noir Estate

Yamhill Carlton, Willamette Valley, Oregon

Red wine from United States

Drinking window: 2017 - 2021

Light red. Aromas of red currant, dried cherry, rose oil and succulent herbs, plus a spicy touch of white pepper. Silky, subtly sweet and light on its feet, offering tangy red fruit and orange zest flavors and a hint of allspice on the back half. Closes dry and nervy, with a slightly hard edge and good persistence.

Josh Reynolds. Tasting date: November 2016

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From Oregon Pinot Noir: The Exceptional 2014s and Often Surprising 2013s (Dec 2016)

Carlton Hill Vineyard

Grape/Blend

Pinot Noir

Release price

\$50.00

Cases Produced (12 bottles/case)

360

Release Date

June 2013

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90_{pts}

Carlton Hill Vineyard 2011 Pinot Noir Estate Whole Cluster

Yamhill Carlton, Willamette Valley, Oregon

Red wine from United States

Drinking window: 2018 - 2023

Light bright red. Fresh and energetic on the nose, displaying delicate red berry, Asian spice and mineral scents; a suave floral note builds in the glass. Zesty and light on its feet, offering tangy red currant and strawberry flavors that deepen slowly as the wine opens up. Closes juicy and smooth, showing very good persistence and just a hint of fine-grained tannins.

Josh Reynolds. Tasting date: November 2016

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From Oregon Pinot Noir: The Exceptional 2014s and Often Surprising 2013s (Dec 2016)

Carlton Hill Vineyard

Grape/Blend

Pinot Noir

Release price

\$75.00

Cases Produced (12 bottles/case)

48

Release Date

October 2016

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89_{pts}

Carlton Hill Vineyard 2012 Pinot Noir Estate

Yamhill Carlton, Willamette Valley, Oregon

Red wine from United States

Drinking window: 2018 - 2022

Bright red. Spice-accented raspberry, cherry and candied rose scents show a hint of smokiness in the background. Juicy and plush on the palate, offering bitter cherry and raspberry flavors with suggestions of succulent herbs and cracked pepper. A blood orange flourish adds a refreshingly bitter edge to the finish, which hangs on with good, spicy tenacity.

Josh Reynolds. Tasting date: November 2016

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From Oregon Pinot Noir: The Exceptional 2014s and Often Surprising 2013s (Dec 2016)

Carlton Hill Vineyard

Grape/Blend

Pinot Noir

Release price

\$50.00

Cases Produced (12 bottles/case)

315

Release Date

June 2014

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90_{pts}

Carlton Hill Vineyard 2013 Pinot Noir Estate

Yamhill Carlton, Willamette Valley, Oregon

Red wine from United States

Drinking window: 2018 - 2023

Pale red. Fresh, spice-accented raspberry, candied rose and a hint of smokiness on the perfumed nose. Silky and subtly sweet; a spine of juicy acidity adds vivacity and back-end lift. Fine-grained tannins sneak in on the clinging finish, which leaves behind a refreshingly bitter hint of orange pith.

Josh Reynolds. Tasting date: November 2016

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From Oregon Pinot Noir: The Exceptional 2014s and Often Surprising 2013s (Dec 2016)

Carlton Hill Vineyard

Grape/Blend

Pinot Noir

Release price

\$50.00

Cases Produced (12 bottles/case)

350

Release Date

January 2015

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91_{pts}

Carlton Hill Vineyard 2013 Pinot Noir Estate Reserve

Yamhill Carlton, Willamette Valley, Oregon

Red wine from United States

Drinking window: 2019 - 2024

Vivid red. Spice-tinged red berries, cherry pit, licorice and potpourri on the highly perfumed nose. Juicy, focused and light on its feet, offering sweet raspberry, cola and spicecake flavors and an exotic touch of blood orange. Shows very good focus and thrust on the finish, which is shaped by silky, slowly-building tannins.

Josh Reynolds. Tasting date: November 2016

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From Oregon Pinot Noir: The Exceptional 2014s and Often Surprising 2013s (Dec 2016)

Carlton Hill Vineyard

Grape/Blend

Pinot Noir

Release price

\$75.00

Cases Produced (12 bottles/case)

75

Release Date

July 2015

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91 pts

Carlton Hill Vineyard 2014 Pinot Noir Estate

Yamhill Carlton, Willamette Valley, Oregon

Red wine from United States

Drinking window: 2020 - 2026

Brilliant red. Fresh raspberry and floral aromas are complicated by hints of allspice and cola. Silky and open-knit, offering lively red berry and cherry liqueur flavors that tighten up and become spicier on the back half. Shows very good energy and velvety texture on the persistent finish, which is framed by smooth, well-knit tannins. This is a sweeter, more fruit-driven wine than its 2015 sibling, which leans more toward the savory side of Pinot.

Josh Reynolds. Tasting date: February 2018

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From Oregon Pushes the Quality Needle for Pinot (Jan 2018)

Carlton Hill Vineyard

Grape/Blend

Pinot Noir

Release price

\$50.00

Cases Produced (12 bottles/case)

250

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92 pts

Carlton Hill Vineyard 2014 Pinot Noir Estate Reserve

Yamhill Carlton, Willamette Valley, Oregon

Red wine from United States

Drinking window: 2021 - 2027

Full red. Potent, spice- and mineral-accented cherry, rose oil, sassafras and musky underbrush scents reveal a hint of smoked meat in the background. Sweet and pliant in the mouth, offering ripe dark fruit and spicecake flavors that tighten up and become more lively on the back half. Shows the generous character of the vintage to very good effect, finishing sappy and very long, with resonating spiciness and smooth, well-knit tannins that come in slowly.

Josh Reynolds. Tasting date: February 2018

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From Oregon Pushes the Quality Needle for Pinot (Jan 2018)

Carlton Hill Vineyard

Grape/Blend

Pinot Noir

Release price

\$75.00

Cases Produced (12 bottles/case)

95

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90_{pts}

Carlton Hill Vineyard 2015 Pinot Noir Estate

Yamhill Carlton, Willamette Valley, Oregon

Red wine from United States

Drinking window: 2020 - 2025

Bright red. Medicinal cherry and red currant aromas, along with hints of musky earth, game and dried flowers. Chewy, focused and light on its feet, offering bitter cherry and licorice flavors and a refreshingly brisk jolt of peppery spices. Finishes long and smooth, with building tannins adding grip. I like the blend of fruit and savory qualities here.

Josh Reynolds. Tasting date: February 2018

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From Oregon Pushes the Quality Needle for Pinot (Jan 2018)

Carlton Hill Vineyard

Grape/Blend

Pinot Noir

Release price

\$50.00

Cases Produced (12 bottles/case)

350

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92 pts

Carlton Hill Vineyard 2015 Pinot Noir Estate Tournament Reserve

Yamhill Carlton, Willamette Valley, Oregon

Red wine from United States

Drinking window: 2021 - 2027

(made from a selection of the winemaker's four favorite barrels) Limpid ruby-red. Sexy, mineral-tinged cherry and dark berry preserve aromas take on floral and cola nuances with air. Sweet and expansive in the mouth, offering juicy black raspberry and cherry cola flavors and suggestions of white pepper and rose pastille. Nicely energetic for its power, finishing with solid punch, sneaky tannins and a touch of vanilla.

Josh Reynolds. Tasting date: February 2018

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Carlton Hill Vineyard

Grape/Blend

Pinot Noir

Release price

\$75.00

Cases Produced (12 bottles/case)

95

