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## Solevari Reserve, Pinot Noir, DOC, Viile Timisului, Romania, 2017



### Producer Profile

The Cramele Recas Estate, owned by Englishman, Philip Cox and his Romanian wife Elvira, have put in a huge amount of work into transforming their slice of grape growing history into a contemporary winemaking haven.

The immaculate vineyards are a combination of evolved plantings from 1447 and much more recent plantings too. With recent investments into modernising and improving their winery, they regularly host world class flying winemakers, vintage to vintage, to work with their team. This enables them to create top quality wines and constantly challenge themselves push innovations and approach winemaking with an open mind.

### Viticulture

Local climatic conditions encourage the development and depth of flavour. With Pinot Noir it all depends on the grape having what it takes to produce good red wine. Their vineyards consistently excel in this respect meaning their winemaking remains simple, the skins are only worked lightly to achieve soft tannins and sweet fruit. Oak use is balanced with flavour intensity and the wine bottled early to retain freshness.

### Winemaking

Grapes are destemmed and lightly crushed, pressed after 10 days and then a natural malolactic fermentation. A little time spent in French oak, medium toasted adds a little complexity without it dominating the flavour profile.

### Tasting Note

Purple red colour, with violet flecks. Intense red and black fruits (sour cherries, blueberries, cranberries) floral aromas. This has lovely acidity, a medium body, pleasant tannins, and a delightful slightly bitter and spicy finish. Excellent balance of aromas, alcohol and tannins.

### Food Matching

Mushroom bruschetta, prosciutto, chorizo, Jamon iberico.

### Technical Details

#### Varieties:

Pinot Noir 100%

ABV: 13%

Closure: Screw cap

Colour: Red

Style: Still wine

Case Size: 6 x 75cl

#### Oak Aging

Time: 3 Months

Type: French Oak

% wine oaked: 100

% new oak: None