

2020 Pinot Noir

Aroma:

Black and red cherry, mulberry, spice and earthy

Palate:

Intense bright fruits, spice and briar.

Comments:

Defined and intense fruits, texture and weight throughout, tannins are very present yet fine and integrated, which carry the flavour right to the back of the palate.

Viticulture:

Grown on a north-facing-bank of the Derwent River, pinot noir from this 30-year-old cool-climate-vineyard is regarded among the most consistent and reliable in Tasmania. Six different clones are all grown on VSP trellising. The soils are permeable loams over limestone, each block with different depths of topsoil.

Winemaking:

Picked at flavour ripeness in small parcels, the grapes were in perfect condition on arrival at the winery where 85% of the fruit was gently de-stemmed and 15% as whole bunch. Eventually 20 open fermenters were used varying between 7 and 28 days on skins. All fermenters were hand plunged four times daily. Gently pressed into 100% French oak, 25% new, no sulphur in barrel, malolactic fermentation naturally occurred in spring. A small amount of Sulphur was added prior to bottling, this vintage was not filtered.

Picking date March 2020

Bottling date Feb 2021

Yield 7.5 t/ha

Alcohol content 13.8%

PH 3.41

Ta 6.45g/l

Residual sugar 0 g/L