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2022 PINOT NOIR

TECHNICAL NOTES

Appellation: Macedon Ranges
Varietals: Pinot Noir
Harvested: April 2022
Bottled: 18 August 2023
Winemaker: Oliver Rapson

Alc/Vol (%): 13.0
pH: 3.6
TA (g/L): 5.8
Cellaring: 10 – 15 years.
Cases: 360

VINES

Clones: D5V12 (65%), Abel (14%), MV6 (11%), 115 (5%), 777 (5%)
Soil: Yellow chromosol, grey kandosols & red ferrosols – lower Ordovician era
Altitude: 510 metres
Yield per vine: 1.6kg



VINIFICATION

Estate grown, single vineyard.
Sustainable vineyard management and 100% hand picked.
All clones processed separately.
Bunch sorted. 10% whole bunch (semi carbonic maceration), remainder destemmed, then cold soaked for 4-5 days. Wild fermentation in open vats, four weeks on skins. Pumped over. Pressed at dryness to French barriques (20% new, 80% older) for 12 months maturation.
Unfined, unfiltered, vegan.

TASTING NOTES

Nose: Strawberry conserve, rhubarb, bay, earthy and forest floor elements.
Palate: A wine full of structure. Soft yet grippy tannins and a bright line of acid. Cherries and dark fruits.

SEASON

If we had to come up with a defining feature of the 2022 vintage it would be "challenging". Plentiful spring rains allowed a lot of growth and canopy. And while we love a good drink, rain like this certainly comes with its own tribulations. We had some respite through December and January and the return to wet weather in February was a relief as it freshened up the canopies and washed away the dust. Moving into autumn, rain continued but we saw bursts of sunshine and dry days that coaxed the vines through their last stages of ripening.



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PINOT NOIR ACCOLADES

2021

Bronze Medal - 2022 Macedon Ranges Wine Exhibition

5 Stars – Lester Jesberg, Winewise
95 Points – Jane Faulkner, Wine Companion
93 Points – Huon Hooke, The Real Review

93 Points – Emma Farrally, Wine Pilot
92 Points – Campbell Mattinson, The Wine Front

2020

Bronze Medal - 2022 Victorian Wine Show

92 Points – Campbell Mattinson, The Wine Front
92 Points – James Suckling, jamesuckling.com

91 Points – Jane Faulkner, Wine Companion

2019

93 Points – Steve Leszczynski, Q Wine
93 Points – Andrew Graham, Oz Wine Review

92 Points – Jane Faulkner, Wine Companion
90 Points – Campbell Mattinson, The Wine Front

2018

92 Points – Steve Leszczynski, Q Wine

90 Points – Gary Walsh, The Wine Front

2017

96 Points – James Halliday, Wine Companion

92 Points – Campbell Mattinson, The Wine Front

2016

Bronze Medal – 2018 Macedon Ranges Wine Exhibition

95 Points – Patrick Eckel, Wine Reviewer

2015

Bronze Medal – 2017 Macedon Ranges Wine Exhibition

95 Points – James Halliday, Wine Companion

93 Points – Patrick Eckel, Wine Reviewer

2014

94 Points – Patrick Eckel, Wine Reviewer

90 Points – James Halliday, Wine Companion