

2021 10X Pinot Noir

Our Thoughts

This wine has great colour and a beautiful perfume of red & dark cherry fruit, spice and undergrowth notes on the nose. As it opens up there is more bramble, crushed autumn leaf and darker fruits coming to the fore.

The palate is silky and savoury with a lovely fine structure and finesse. A kick of bright red fruits right on the finish complete this alluring style of Pinot Noir. A wonderful vintage and one of our best 10X Pinots!

Vintage Comment

Moderate temperatures throughout a wet spring and throughout flowering resulted in healthy canopies with slightly lower than average yields.

Above average rainfall over the Summer due to La Niña was moderated by dry spells and moderate temperatures resulted in slower ripening. High levels of acidity were retained together with great concentration of flavour and fine detail.

Harvest Date :: Yield

Hand-picked 9-31st March 2021 :: 4-6t/ha

Vineyards :: Clones

Coolart 95% :: 115, 777, MV6, Pommard, Abel, G5V15

Wallis 5% :: 777, 115

Brix :: pH :: TA

22.3 - 24 :: pH 3.4-3.62 :: TA 6-7.5g/L

Winemaking

- 5% whole bunch with destemmed portion all whole berries
- Individual parcels of fruit were fermented using wild yeast in a mixture of concrete and stainless steel tanks
- Following pressing, the wine was transferred to 10% new oak barrels, puncheons and barriques

- Natural malolactic fermentation before bottling unfined and filtered

Ageing

10 months in oak barrels

Finished residual sugar :: 0g/L

pH 3.49 TA: 5.6g/L

Production

Bottled 8th December 2021 :: screwcap

Alcohol

13% (7.5 standard drinks/750ml bottle)

Food Pairing

Barbequed quail, Duck breast with red cabbage

Best Drinking

2022-2027

