



Seville Estate 2021 Pinot Noir

Winemakers Comments:

2021 was a perfect growing season, mild temperatures with average rainfall produced good yields with balanced flavours across all varieties.

Average rainfall and temperatures over winter set the season up nicely with ground moisture. This continued into Spring but much warmer than average temperatures prompted an early start to the growing season. Perfect conditions over flowering lead to good yields across all varieties which was welcomed after the small production in 2020. Unfortunately, a couple of our older blocks didn't fully recover from the previous year, so we saw some reduction still, but happy overall. Spring continued to be warm with good rainfall through into summer, December and February were dry, but January saw several wet days, some over 40mm. The mild conditions pushed the start of harvest into early March, which is preferable over the hotter day time temperatures in February.

Pinot Noirs were more delicate and perfumed but still retained their intensity and tannins which gives them great structure and presence. They remind us of some of the great cooler vintages where the balance of tannin, fruit and aromatics were perfect.

Harvest date: 12 - 20/03/2021

Baume: 12.5-13.0 b \grave{e}

pH: 3.40

TA: 6.2

Soil: deep red volcanic / basalt

Elevation: 140-200m

Aspect: East & South

Clone: MV6, Pommard & Abel

Av. yields tons/acres: 1.4

Vinification:

Fruit is hand handpicked and sorted in the vineyard. A combination of de-stemmed ferments and 100% whole bunch ferments are used. Must is cold soaked for 4 days then natural fermentation occurs with no temperature control. Malolactic fermentation occurs during primary. Open ferments are pumped over daily. Wine is gently pressed off skins and run straight to French oak for barrel maturation on lees in 30% new oak (300 & 500L) barrels. Wine is not filtered or fined but allowed to clarify naturally in the cellar prior to bottling. This minimal handling maximises delicate "Pinot character" flavours.

Winemaking Notes:

This wine sees the first introduction of different clones, Pommard and Abel. While these wines have not supplied much to the volume of the blend, we see a great future in how they contribute to the flavour and structure of the wine. We look forward to seeing the volumes increase as the block matures and contribute more to the overall structure of the final wine.

"The 2021 Pinots are delicate and finer than 2020's, which is predictable from the cooler season. A homage to the Pinot Noirs that Peter used to make, that really show the classic 'Upper Yarra' characters. They remind me of the 2012 vintage which showcase purity and prettiness while still having great structure and concentration, an iron fist in a velvet glove." Drink 2024 – 2035.

Wine Analysis:

Production: 760 dozen

Alcohol: 13.2%

Ph: 3.64

Acidity: 5.9 g/L

Awards: 93 Points James Halliday Wine Companion 2023
92 Points Real Review

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