

TASTING NOTES

2023 Singlefile Single Vineyard Mount Barker Pinot Noir

Moore River Vineyard Mount Barker, Western Australia

VINEYARD & WINEMAKING

The pinot noir grape variety is very well suited to the cool climate terroir of the Mount Barker sub-region of the Great Southern. This parcel of fruit is from the established Moore River Vineyard, which typically presents strong varietal characters and 2023 did not disappoint

The 2023 season delivered a wet winter and spring was reasonably dry. Even temperature days and cold nights during the growing season helped the fruit to develop full flavours while retaining natural acidity which forms the backbone of this wine.

The fruit was harvested on 11th April 2023. It was picked, gently de-stemmed and then cold soaked for two full days. A parcel was barrel fermented and underwent natural fermentation in new French oak, the remainder went to small open fermenters and later to new and seasoned oak. The wine spent approximately seven months in French oak 225L barriques, 30% new. It was then prepared for bottling.

THE WINE

A medium body styled pinot noir with lifted aromas of red cherries and spices as well as subtle forest floor aromas which will develop further with time in bottle. These characters follow through on the palate. The wine has a medium palate weight and a gently textured mouth feel with soft and subtle tannins supported with the natural acidity. The Burgundian oak presents nicely in the background. The wine finishes with good length of flavour and a long finish. It is well suited to complement game or light red meat dishes, and it will reward cellaring.

94 points, Barry Weinman, May 2024

TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

Alc: 13.7% pH: 3.57 TA: 5.1 g/L Cellaring: Up to 10 years

