



2013 Pilot Block Pinot Noir

Adelaide Hills

Wine Analysis

Winemaker	Greg Clack
Bottled	March 2014
Alcohol	12.9%
Oak	French Oak
Acid	5.98 g/L
pH	3.39
Free Sulphur	32 mg/L
Total Sulphur	115 mg/L

In the Vineyard

The grapes for this wine are a mix of MV6 and 114/115 clone Pinot Noir and were selected from two vineyards, the first at Gumeracha in the northern hills and the other at Kuitpo in the southernmost part of the Adelaide Hills. Both vineyards have a northerly aspect which compensates for the very cool climate allowing the fruit to ripen relatively early in the season, whilst retaining those classic Pinot Noir characteristics.

In the Winery

The grapes were cold soaked and minimally treated to preserve the fresh fleshy fruit flavours of pinot noir. Minimal cap management was used during fermentation, with only two pumpovers per day. Judicious use of used French oak has preserved the classic pinot noir fruit characters.

In the Glass

Colour

Light cherry red with brick red hue.

Bouquet

Initially you are greeted by rhubarb, cherry fruits and hints of rose petal. These fruits are married well with a slight stalkiness. Savoury characters add complexity to the generous nose.

Palate

On the palate there are juicy cherry, blueberry and rhubarb with a hints of strawberry and mint. The palate is supported by savoury flavours, spicy characters and subtle oak. Fine velvety tannins and good acid are balanced well to produce a very enjoyable food wine.

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