



TASTING NOTE

2021 GREAT WESTERN PINOT NOIR

The fruit for this wine comes from 1980 and 1987 Pinot Noir plantings in the Concongella vineyards, at Best's Great Western and the 1997 plantings at the elevated vineyard at Rhydney. The clones are Best's, MV6, D5V12 & D2V5.

Pinot Noir was first planted in the Nursery Block at Best's in the 1860's. It is believed that the origin of these vines was the James Busby collection, Australia's first vines. These Pinot Noir cuttings were sourced from some of the finest vineyards in Burgundy. The original Best's plantings are now thought to be the oldest Pinot Noir vines in the world, and one of these clones is thought to exist nowhere else in the world.

TECHNICAL DETAILS

Region:	Great Western, Victoria
Grape Variety:	Pinot Noir
Alcohol:	12.5%
Winemaker:	Justin Purser

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Colour:	Deep crimson with a garnet hue.
Bouquet:	Perfumed dark cherries, pomegranate and grilled steak with a whiff of spiced oak.
Palate:	Fleshy red fruits with a breadth of savoury, but soft lingering tannins. Rounded and harmonious. Try it with Pork dumplings.
Cellaring:	10-15 years
Vintage:	An excellent season with near perfect growing conditions right through to harvest. Adequate winter and spring rainfalls set the wines up to burst into life and sustain beautifully balanced growth throughout the summer. Autumn was ideal with little rainfall and warm conditions to ensure the grapes matured gracefully.





AWARDS AND REVIEWS

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Halliday Wine Companion – Jeni Port, March 2022

Packs a lot of flavour intensity into its medium-bodied frame, together with a strong Aussie bush signature. Delightfully aromatic aromas in dark cherry, pomegranate, rhubarb, bay leaf and violet. Gentle oak spice on the palate introduces a detailed, deeply flavoured and creamy palate wrapped in close-knit tannins. A good pinot is a rare beast in these parts and one to be enjoyed. Special value for money ★ **Rating: 92 points**

Gourmet Traveller WINE – Mike Bennie, April 2022

Extraordinary value here, it seems. A wine packed with depth of fruit, savouriness, peppery spice and a malty-woody seasoning underpinning it all, with bouquet and palate in synch with these characters. Depth and grunt are two good words, but it never forgets a sense of lively pinosity, too. Is there something old school about this wine? Sure, and it also delivers satisfaction in spades.

James Suckling – October 2022 Report

Pretty nose of wild strawberries, pomegranates, red cherries, rose water, red tea and licorice. Delicate and elegant, with a medium body and silky, sleek tannins. Fresh and bright. Drink or hold. **Rating: 92 points**

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