GIANT STEPS

YARRA VALLEY

2023 PRIMAVERA VINEYARD PINOT NOIR



Appellation:	Yarra Valley		
Varietals:	100% Pinot Noir		
Clones:	MV6, G8V3, 115		
Harvested:	March, 2023		
Bottled:	11th December, 2023		
Alc/Vol (%):	13.2	TA (g/L): 5.9	pH: 3.49
Cellaring:	Now - eight years		

SEASON:

2023 was a small, high-quality vintage in the Yarra Valley.

The season was defined by a cool Spring, a mild growing season, cool nights, and medium to high rainfall.

2023 was one of the coolest and latest harvests on record, with our first pick starting two and a half weeks later than the previous average.

The grapes in 2023 had lovely fruit concentration with bright natural acidities.

VINIFICATION:

Handpicked, fermented in a combination of small oak fermenters and stainless-steel open vats.

Each clone was fermented and matured separately and is either fermented with 100% whole bunches included or 100% Destemmed. The MV6 was fermented as whole bunches in a seasoned oak vat, while the 115 and G clone were fermented as whole berries with a 4-day cold soak before the start of fermentation.

The ferments spent between 10 – 14 days on skins, with gentle mixing throughout that time using gravity.

The resulting blend is 15% Whole bunch fermented.

All parcels completed malolactic fermentation and were then matured in French oak Barriques (225L) – 20% new, 80% seasoned – for nine months.

The wine was not moved and kept in contact with its lees before blending in November. Bottled by gravity. No fining. No filtration.

THE VINEYARD:

Location:	Woori Yallock
Planted:	2001
Elevation:	240 metres
Soil type:	Red clay loam
Aspect:	North and north-east facing slopes
Size:	12 Hectares

After discovering the Yarra Valley wines 25 years ago, Lou Primavera planted this vineyard in Hoddles Creek in 2001.

We have a long-standing relationship with the Primavera family, having sourced fruit from the vineyard from 2006.

This small vineyard has Pinot planted on two slopes of the gully right at the start of the Lone Star Creek – with MV6 planted on north slope and 115 and G-clone on south slope.

This vineyard always produced our most floral, red fruited and fragrant Pinot Noir, with a sweetness and softness.

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