Yabby Lake Vineyard
Mornington Peninsula

2022 Yabby Lake Single Block Release 'Block 2' Pinot Noir

Our philosophy is to craft single vineyard wines of great purity and character, reflective of our site and the season in which it was grown. It's the attention and care in the vineyard that is most critical to allowing this expression. When a parcel stands out for its individual personality, we take a small amount of that parcel and bottle it separately under our Single Block label.

2022 was a vintage of tiny yields, the lowest in our history. This was due to severe storms during flowering. However, the positive is the wines are of exceptional quality – they are intense, with incredible balance and persistence.

Region	Tuerong, Mornington Peninsula
Block	2 (Sub-block 2.4)
Alc	13.5%
Clones	100% MV6
Soil	Sandy loam over Callabonna clay
Harvest	18 March
Barrel	100% French oak
Winemaker	Tom Carson

Winemaking

The fruit was handpicked on 18 March, hand sorted and gently de-stemmed into a traditional French oak cuve. Following a five-day soak, the natural yeast fermentation proceeded peaking in temperature at 32ºC. The wine was pressed off skins after 16 days into tight grain French oak puncheons for malolactic fermentation and maturation. It remained in oak until February 2023 when it was estate bottled.

Tasting note

Intense black cherry, Asian spice and a perfumed floral note highlight the aromas. The palate is finely poised, rich and concentrated. The silky texture and volume of fruit carries the long finish. Cellar for 8 – 12 years.

97 points - Halliday Wine Companion, Jane Faulkner says:

"To get this much flavour and concentration into a wine without losing any of its line and charm is a skill - no doubt that comes from experience and, obviously, the vineyard. Savoury, dark, bitter chocolate infusing the black cherries with toasty, cedary oak and roasted spices. Supple yet powerful with raw silk tannins weaving their way easily across the fuller-bodied palate and acidity leaving no doubt this will garner more complexity in time."

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