SANTOLIN 'GLADYSDALE' PINOT NOIR 2020

Grapes

100% Pinot Noir Willowlake Vineyard, Gladysdale, Upper Yarra Valley

Vineyard Notes

Produced from fruit grown on a single 30+ year old block in the Willowlake Vineyard in Gladysdale. At 250m above sea level, this vineyard has a blend of soils combining rich, red volcanic soil from the hills and clay loam. The majority of the vines are planted on a north east facing slope and receive high rainfall across the year. The vineyard is hand pruned with vertical shoot positioning and shoot thinned when required throughout the growing season.

Winemakers Notes

Hand picking commenced on March 29th 2020. A small parcel was put into a fermentation vessel for whole bunch carbonic maceration while the remaining fruit was fully destemmed into open pots for whole berry fermentation with indigenous yeast. The reason for this is that wild yeast shows the true characters of the variety, region and especially the unique flavours of the vineyard. The open pots were gently hand plunged 1-2 times daily. On completion of fermentation the wine was pressed to a selection of new and old French oak barrels. The wine underwent natural malo-lactic fermentation. Wine was not filtered or fined prior to bottling.

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Alcohol 13.0% pH 3.50 TA 5.80 g/L Cellaring 5-8 years Fermentation Wild ferment in oak Oak Maturation 10 months in 100% French oak - 30% new Total Production 260 dozen Additional Notes

ANALYSIS

Suitable for vegans

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