## SANTOLIN GLADYSDALE PINOT NOIR 2021

## Grapes

100% Pinot Noir Willowlake Vineyard, Upper Yarra Valley

## **Vineyard Notes**

Produced from fruit grown on a single 30+ year old block in the Willowlake Vineyard, 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

A one tonne parcel went into a small open pot for 100% whole bunch carbonic maceration fermentation, while a larger parcel was fully destemmed into open pots for a 100% whole berry fermentation with indigenous yeast. The wild yeast reflects and integrates the true characters of the variety, region and in particular, the unique flavours of the vineyard.

The open pots were very gently and slowly plunged once daily. Upon completion of fermentation the wine was pressed to a selection of new and old French oak barrels. The wine underwent natural malo-lactic fermentation and remained on full solids for 10 months. It was not fined or filtered prior to bottling, to retain as much of the natural characters and flavours as possible.

Alcohol 13.0%
рН 3.4
<b>TA</b> 6.1 g/L
Cellaring 10+ years
Fermentation Open fermenters
<b>Oak Maturation</b> 10 months in 100% French oak - 30% new
Total Production 275 dozen
Additional Notes Suitable for vegans
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