

HAY SHED HILL 'World Series' Pinot Noir 2023

The Hay Shed Hill World Series wines showcases the great grape varieties of the world grown in a distinctive Australian context from leading Western Ausralian wine regions.

Pinot Noir is widely acclaimed with Cabernet Sauvignon as the greatest of red wine grape varieties making wines of subtlety and complexity. Most famously associated with Burgundy it has been extensively planted across many countries to various degrees of success. A difficult variety with a narrow range of climatic tolerance it is rarely seen in Western Australia outside of the Mt Barker and Porongurup sub-regions where the climate is at its coolest. This wine from Mt Barker demonstrates all the attractive aromatics and soft seductive flavours in a wine of medium body typical of the variety.

VINTAGE: The 2023 vintage was a throwback to the 1990's. A lovely wet winter opened to a mild spring with budburst in the early varieties being up to two weeks later than recent vintages. The spring weather was fine so the late budburst and slower development was not a problem for the early and mid season varieties.

I believe we will see brilliant whites and mid bodied, more elegant reds from the 2023 vintage reminiscent of some of the great vintages in the 1990's.

Michael Kerrigan, winemaker.

COLOUR: Ruby red with an vibrant rim.

NOSE: The nose is complex with earthy savoury characters, wonderfully deep cedar notes and winter spices.

PALATE: This Pinot has lots of vibrant fruit, particularly raspberry fruit with delicious dark chocolate characters. These rich, concentrated fruit flavours are well integrated after a period of maturation in once and twice used French oak, also adding a complexing savoury character. It has good palate weight and the dusty, lightly drying tannins contribute to its good length of flavour.

TECHNICAL INFORMATION:

HAY SHED HILL

Vintage: 2023 Growing Region: Mount Barker

Variety: Pinot Noir 100% | Alcohol: 13.0% Alc Vol.

