



JOURNEY'S END

Owl's Nest Pinot Noir 2023

Background: High in the shade of a wild Silvertree, our nesting eagle owls watch over the land, silent guardians in a thriving ecosystem. Their tale of guardianship, as stewards of our family farm, inspired this Pinot Noir. Reflecting our ethos of working with nature and preserving biodiversity, we honour the land's voice in every vintage.

Blend Composition: 100% Pinot Noir

Origin: W.O. Coastal

Technical Notes:

All grapes are sourced from sustainably farmed vineyards, supporting a healthy ecosystem and producing high-quality fruit. The grapes were hand-picked in early February 2023 at 23°–24° Balling. After harvesting, each bunch was pre-chilled before being destemmed and berry-sorted.

The berries were fermented whole, without crushing, to allow for gentle extraction of tannins and colour, resulting in finesse, balance, and longevity. Fermentation took place in open-top fermenters, giving the winemaker optimal access for careful monitoring and gentle handling.

At 6° Balling, the tanks were pressed using a basket press. The wine then completed fermentation in stainless steel, where malolactic fermentation also occurred. Finally, the wine was matured in tank for five months. No oak was used, ensuring the pure fruit aromatics of the cultivar remain at the forefront.

Wine Analysis:

Alcohol: 12.5 %

pH: 3.53

Total Acidity: 5.65

Residual Sugar: 4.1



Tasting Notes:

Fruit forward nose bursting with red fruits: cranberry, ripe strawberry, plum and even a hints of violet. Medium bodied juicy palette with a smooth, lingering finish.



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