

SIDEWOOD PINOT NOIR 2018

[ANALYSIS]

Alcohol | 13.0% alc/vol

pH | 3.63

Acid | 5.5 g/L

Closure | Stelvin

Oak | 10 Months French

Bottling Date | January 2019

Estate Bottled

[VINIFICATION]

A blend of four clonal varieties, MV6, Oberlin, Abel and 777. Yielded at 5-6 mt per ha, hand picked from our Mappinga Road vineyard. Each clone vinified separately. Bunches were chilled for 24-48 hours, approximately 25-35% whole bunched, similar percentage of whole berries, the balance destemmed and pressed off. All wild-yeast ferment. French oak puncheons and hogsheads approx 15% new for 10 months maturation prior to barrel selection blending and estate bottling.

[TASTING NOTES]

Displaying complex aromas of strawberries and cream with hints of forest floor. The palate is seamless and elegant. Red fruits with enticing gamey characters swirl within layers of mushroom and notes of fresh herbs. The French oak adds ample but delicate tannins delivering a generous delightful length.

Savour on its own or enjoy as an outstanding accompaniment to a duck or game dish, alternatively stuffed wild mushrooms as a vegetarian option. Drinking beautifully now but will continue to evolve with careful cellaring.

SUSTAINABLE | COOL CLIMATE | ESTATE BOTTLED

[AWARDS]

94 POINTS | 2021 JAMES HALLIDAY, WINE COMPANION

93 POINTS | 2020 PATRICK ECKEL

93 POINTS | 2019 WINE ORBIT, NEW ZEALAND

DIAMOND TRIOHY | 2020 SAKURA WINE AWARDS JAPAN

DOUBLE GOLD | 2020 SAKURA WINE AWARDS JAPAN

GOLD | 2020 CATAVINUM WORLD WINE AWARDS, SPAIN

GOLD | 2019 WINE ORBIT, NEW ZEALAND

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