

TYRRELL'S WINES



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SPECIAL RELEASE PINOT NOIR 2018



Vineyard

The 2018 Special Release Pinot Noir is from the best parcels of the vintage that would normally be part of the Vat 6 blend. This vintage includes fruit from the 4 & 8 Acres blocks which were planted in 1971 and are the original Pinot Noir vines on the estate.

Vintage Conditions

Vintage 2018 was another strong vintage in the Hunter Valley. Dry, warm conditions that were similar to 2003 meant cropping levels were smaller than average and produced wines with robust flavours and softer acids.

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Winemaker's Notes

A mixture of both hand and machine harvesting, with the hand component forming the percentage of whole bunch fermentation we required. In this instance it was 20%. The machine picked fruit was placed on top of the whole bunches and were gently pumped over three times daily before gentle pressing and maturation for 11 months in French oak barriques, 5% new.

Tasting Notes

Medium colour density with a lifted, exotic nose of strawberries and Asian spice with a hint of stalk character. The palate shows wonderful core and length of sweet fruit with a soft tannin profile balanced by fine acidity to create a food friendly style of Pinot Noir to be enjoyed over the medium term.

Date Picked 18 January 2018 | **Date Bottled** 21 January 2019

Alc 13.5% | **pH** 3.43 | **TA** 5.68g/L

THE STORY OF THE SPECIAL RELEASE RANGE

Our Special Release range showcases wines that are limited production, one-offs, trial batches, or just anything unique or different. You never know what you might see in this range and just because you see something here once, there's no guarantee you'll see it here again.

Of Special Release wines, Bruce Tyrrell said “I believe that in a great year you need to preserve as much premium wine as possible, as it may not be there the next year.”



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