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2019 PINOT NOIR d'SOUMAH



2019 VINTAGE

A dry winter led into a gentle early spring. A very hot November hastened flowering into an abnormally wet December (5 inches more rain than normal). This rain and heat brought humidity but also delivered an abundant water table for the developing berries. December seemed to rain itself out and late summer was dry (3.5 inches less rain than normal), making for a calm harvest. Picking times were mostly normal, fruit were fleshy and juicy with attractive varietal characters.

VITICULTURE & WINEMAKING

Pinot Noir is a very selective grape. It does not like the heat but does like the sun. It likes to be on well drained soils so not good on flat landscapes. It likes warm days but more importantly, cool summer nights. It is so demanding that only a few regions in Australia can aspire to produce a Pinot Noir of any pedigree. The Yarra Valley has attained that status over the decades, and we have set out to support that reputation with our attention to details and first rate vineyard sites.

The barrel fermentation develops the rich flavour and aroma of the wine and a good portion of new barrels adds classic soft oak characters helping the overall integration of the wine.

TASTING

Displaying an attractive garnet colour, this Pinot Noir delivers a cherry and raspberry fruit profile along with savoury fleshiness.

PAIRING

Roasted beetroot, cauliflower and lentil salad.

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