Jane Eyre,

Tasmania Pinot Noir 2021

Tasmania, Australia





Grape Varieties	100% Pinot Noir
Winemaker	Jane Eyre-Renard
Closure	Screwcap
ABV	14%
Residual Sugar	0.51g/L
Acidity	5.4g/L
Wine pH	3.48
Bottle Sizes	75cl
Notes	Vegetarian, Vegan

PRODUCER

Jane Eyre first made wines under her eponymous label in Australia in 2012, making three barrels of a Pinot Noir from the Mornington Peninsula. At that time, she was already making exceptional wines in Burgundy as a micro-negociant and now splits her year winemaking in both hemispheres. Australian journalist Nick Stock accurately describes Jane as "a thoughtful and determined winemaker, with clear ideas about the style of Pinot Noir she likes. She prizes fragrance and delicacy over artefact and ripeness." As in Burgundy, Jane buys the grapes for her Australian wines, working with excellent growers and sites across the Mornington Peninsula, Yarra Valley and Tasmania.

VINEYARDS

The Pinot Noir grapes for this wine are grown from two vineyards on Tasmania's northern coast. Two thirds come from the iron-rich soils of Tamar Valley, a region which runs along the Tamar River. The final third is sourced from Pipers River, Tasmania's northernmost wine region which surrounds the much smaller river of the same name, roughly 20 kilometres to the north-east.

VINTAGE

The 2021 vintage in northern Tasmania was a cool one, which enjoyed the much sought-after combination of good yields and exceptional quality. Generous rainfall in winter and spring, cool temperatures and steady ripening led to a prolonged harvest and wines with great freshness, elegant flavours and a vibrant structure.

VINIFICATION

After picking, most of the grapes were destemmed, with 10% being left as whole bunches. The fruit was cold soaked and gently macerated for 10 days before being basket pressed direct into 500-litre French oak puncheons (17% new). The wine matured for 10 months and was lightly filtered prior to bottling in January 2022.

TASTING NOTES

Bright crimson in colour, this Pinot Noir has beautifully pure red fruit aromas, with a little pomegranate and a touch of spice. Similar to the 2020, on the palate the wine is medium-bodied and has a good depth of fruit that is balanced by a fresh acidity. The finish is long, with fine, persistent tannins.