

DÉCOUVERTE VINEYARD

PINOT NOIR 2018

This Pinot Noir features fruit from our second estate, Découverte Vineyard. The grapes are handpicked in the heart of the rolling landscape of the Dundee Hills wine region and defined by the red-fruit character and freshness typical of their volcanic Jory soils. At The Winery, the grapes are hand-sorted, and fermentation and maceration takes place in small lots, to retain the natural, original character of the site and vintage.

VINTAGE NOTES

2018 was an exceptional vintage with harmonious wines. The beginning of season was wet, then from May the growing season was ideal, sunny and dry. The bloom was accomplished with perfect weather conditions. July and August were some of the warmest and driest on record. At the beginning of September, the vines were really stressed, however from mid-September, two weeks of cool nights, following a few days of rain, helped the end of the maturation and allowed grapes to develop a complex aromatic profile and to retain a nice acidity.

TASTING NOTES

The wine reflects a beautiful and brilliant garnet color, with an expressive and complex nose of strawberry, plum, wild cherry, almond and licorice. The wine reveals an elegant palate, vibrant and complex, with delicate notes of noble wood, and very long and mineral finale.



AVA:	Dundee Hills	Barrel Aging:	17 months in French oak barrels, 30% new
Harvest Dates:	September 19th - 24th, 2018	Cases Produced:	2,300 (12 x 750ml)
Alc by Vol.:	13.50%	Date Bottled:	May 2020