



# 2021 The Esplanade Pinot Noir

Coldstream Hills prides itself for having access to many of the best vineyards in the Yarra Valley. These sites are found throughout the upper and lower Yarra Valley with each vineyard providing a range of unique characteristics to the wines. Back in the late 1980s, James Halliday introduced single vineyard wines to Coldstream Hills and demonstrated their unique styles. The tradition has continued with the release of the Single Vineyard range.

Syme Vineyard, Gruyere

**Block:** The Esplanade

Vines planted: 1998

Clone: MV6

# Winemaker Comments Andrew Fleming

Vintage conditions: A near perfect season for cool climate varieties in the Yarra. Good winter and spring rainfall replenished the soil profile allowing a good start to the growing season. Spring was generally mild with no frost, flowering occurred during warm, stable conditions which was ideal. The ripening season was generally mild and punctuated with well-timed rainfall. A very even harvest period with gradual ripening and flavour development, vibrant natural acidity, and excellent quality fruit.

### **Technical Analysis**

Harvest Date 2nd March 2021 pH 3.39 Acidity 5.9g/L Alcohol 14 % Residual Sugar 0.0 g/L Bottling Date March 2022 Peak Drinking Now - 2032

### **Grape Variety**

**Pinot Noir** 

#### Maturation.

Ten months in French oak – forty percent new with the remainder in seasoned French oak barriques.

Colour Medium crimson cherry red

**Bouquet** Brooding, powerful, ripe, and brimming with vibrant dark cherry and muddled strawberry. Savoury whole bunch spice notes are evident with underlying graphite mineral and subtle French oak.

**Palate** Fleshy and textural with depth and a fine chalky tannin finish. Dark cherry notes dominate with vibrant nuances of raspberry and muddled strawberry. Savoury and slightly rustic in style, the wine is further enhanced with subtle French oak, graphite-like mineral and whole bunch spice.