



LEVANTINE HILL

2018 Levantine Hill Estate Pinot Noir



Vintage	2018
Varietal blend	100% Pinot Noir
Harvest dates	23 rd February to 11 th March 2018
Bottling date	15 th February 2019
Oak treatment	Aged in 100% French oak 500-litre puncheons and 228-litre barriques (27% new) for 10 months.
Alcohol content	13.0%
Residual sugar	<1.0 g/litre
Preservative	Sulphur dioxide (220)
Ageing potential	10+ years
Winemaking	Hand-picked over 12 distinct days. All fruit was hand-sorted and destemmed or crushed to small open vats. Stalks were added back to select parcels for extra complexity. A mix of natural fermentation and inoculated yeasts. Cuvaison length ranged from 1 to 3 weeks on skins. Hand-plunged a maximum of once per day for gentle extraction and integration of tannin.
Winemaker's notes	<p>Exhibiting a fine line and subtly-building power on a detail-laden palate, this Pinot Noir is the result of an assemblage of nineteen individual small batches sourced from our Maroondah Highway vineyard. Clonal mix is MV6 (87%) and D2V5 (13%).</p> <p>Bright intense Pinosity is on display with lifted aromas of black cherries, thyme, sassafras, fig brûlée kirsch, char and dark chocolate lead ahead of developing savoury elements of nutmeg, sarsaparilla and humus. These characters are further complexed by a background shout-out from an underlying stemmy note. The composed defined palate unfurls with red fruit flavours, sour cherry, raspberry, pomegranate overlaying stewed apple and rhubarb with cinnamon and an almond meal texture. The mouth-filling, highly pixilated, seamlessly integrated, slow-build tannins define the palate working in synergy with an underpinning fine line of natural acidity and subtle stalk influence. The wine confidently pushes through the full length of the palate to an expansive lingering finish.</p>

This wine is vegan friendly.