



Yabby Lake Vineyard  
Mornington Peninsula

## 2009 Yabby Lake Single Vineyard Pinot Noir

2008/2009 Growing Season - Yabby Lake Vineyard, Mornington Peninsula

Average winter rains lead to good bud break and good early season growth. The drought returned in spring with below average rainfall in September, October and November, but with access to recycled water for irrigation the dry period was not a worry and good healthy growth continued through December and early January. Flowering occurred in the first two weeks of November which were warm and dry so fruit set was very good requiring shoot and fruit thinning to most blocks.

Several days of extreme heat occurred in late January and early February. Fortunately, with plenty of irrigation water available we immediately implemented a full irrigation program. Vintage started on 19 February with rigorous hand selection in the vineyard to ensure that only the best fruit was delivered to the winery (30% less fruit than forecast). Harvest was completed on 8 April 2009.



### Winemaker's Notes

The fruit was handpicked and destemmed into traditional open fermenters for a 3-4 day cold soaking, some whole bunches. The fermentation was hand plunged up to three times per day depending on extraction levels. The temperature of the fermentation peaked at 32°C (Celsius) after which the wine was pressed after 10 days into French oak for malolactic fermentation and ageing (with a significant proportion of 500L barrels used). The wine was bottled in February 2010.

The 2009 Yabby Lake Pinot Noir has an intense and complex aroma with great depth of character. The palate is finely poised with fine silky tannins and a plush texture. There is excellent persistence on the polished finish.

### PINOT NOIR TECHNICAL DETAILS

GROWING REGION	Mornington Peninsula (Tuerong) – Single Vineyard
ALCOHOL	13.5%
AGEING	Ten years under ideal storage conditions
CLONES	87% MV6 (67% Block 2, 20% Block 1), 13% 115 Clone (13% Block 8)
SOIL	Light sandy clay loam, sandy loam deep soils

Tom Carson, Chief Winemaker

Keith Harris, Chief Viticulturist

*Our philosophy at Yabby Lake is simple - expression over impression.  
These wines are crafted with minimal intervention in the winery to ensure they reflect the spirit of the season and the vineyard.  
Winemaking is a complicated pursuit, but the results should not be.*

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