

# Coldstream Hills

## 2021 Deer Farm Vineyard Block E Pinot Noir



The Deer Farm Vineyard in the cool Upper Yarra has long been a source of beautifully framed Pinot Noir wines. Consistent with the philosophy to seek out vineyard expression, the outstanding 2021 vintage was of such quality that it provided the opportunity to release a limited range of Single Block wines.

### Deer Farm Vineyard, Gladysdale

Block E Top

Vines planted: 1994

Clone: MV6

Aspect: North facing

Soil: Duplex grey clay-loam

Winemaking 10% whole bunch, remainder destemmed fruit in open fermenter

## Winemaker Comments Andrew Fleming

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**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** 20<sup>th</sup> March 2021

**pH** 3.51

**Acidity** 5.6g/L

**Alcohol** 13%

**Residual Sugar** 0.1 g/L

**Bottling Date** March 2022

**Peak Drinking** Now - 2035

### **Grape Variety**

Pinot Noir

### **Maturation.**

Ten months in French oak – 33% new with the remainder in seasoned French oak barriques.

**Colour** Vibrant medium light crimson

**Bouquet** Fragrant strawberry and raspberry characters dance across this wine. Whole bunch sandalwood-like spice, subtle French oak and pastel nuances add layers and complexity.

**Palate** Elegantly framed with vibrant notes of muddled strawberry, raspberry, and cherry underpinned by hints of mineral graphite, whole bunch spice and beautifully integrated French oak. A wine of great length and purity with a fine chalky tannin finish

An outstanding vintage.