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PINOT NOIR

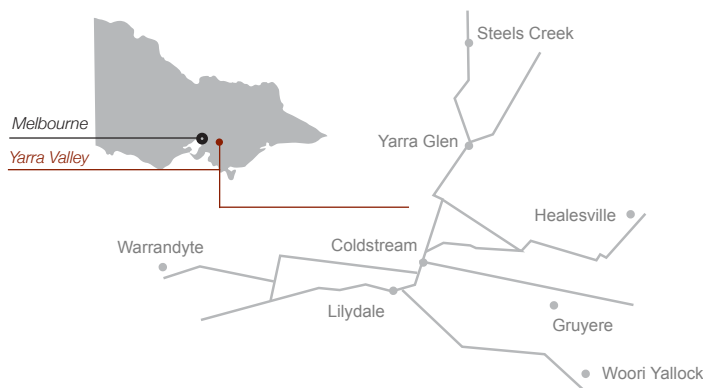
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YARRA VALLEY - WOORI YALLOCK

Quote Mac Forbes; "this is my favourite vineyard". Enough said.

Vineyard

Planted in 1995 on own roots at an elevation of 100-145m, this MV6 vineyard in cane pruned and only 1.3 Ha. With a southerly aspect, this is our coolest pinot site to date which also receives higher average rainfall (830mm). Grey loam on brown, gravelly clay.



Vintage Conditions

A cool start to the season witnessed a wet September and non-event of October before 8 weeks of growth in 4 weeks during a warm November. Good flowering and fruitset, generally good ripening with no major heat spikes and some rain mid vintage which didn't cause any major problems in the Yarra Valley. The season overall was the warmest in recent years for both mean min and max but tempered by some timely rain at 2-3 week intervals.

Winemaking

The grapes for this wine were de-stemmed into small open fermenters with a portion of the fruit heavily foot-stomped. The wine spent 8 days on skins and 10 months in French oak, 7% of which was new (Damy). The wine was racked only once, prior to being bottled un-fined and unfiltered.

Wine Analysis

Alc/Vol : 13.0%
Acidity : 6.1g/L
pH : 3.47
Pickup Date : 23rd February 2010

TASTING NOTES

- Colour : Bright medium red with good density of colour
- Nose : Nose is complex and enthralling. Bright red fruits with spice of fennel seed, crushed herbs and chalk all captured at this primary stage of development.
- Palate : Palate is slightly closed but showing wonderful depth and purity. Chalky tannins, bright crunchy red fruits with subtle reductive core with fine herbal lift and length that builds front to back.

No of cases produced 260.

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