

Bouchard Finlayson Galpin Peak Pinot Noir Tete de Cuvée 2003

Appealing on the nose with whiffs of Raspberry, cherry and oaky plum. Rich, long on the palate with full bodied firm harmonious structure ending in layers of velvety tannins which act as a guarantee for many years of positive development.

Pinot noir is the most food flexible varietal. Its richness comes from a multitude of layers of flavour. Enjoy with fish, poultry, game and red meat dishes!

variety : Pinot Noir | Pinot Noir

winery : Bouchard Finlayson Boutique Vineyard

winemaker : Peter Finlayson

wine of origin : Walker Bay

analysis : alc : 14.21 % vol rs : 1.7 g/l pH : 3.57 ta : 5.48 g/l va : 0.69 g/l

pack : Bottle



in the vineyard : The 2003 vintage was an excellent summer which presented cool conditions and allowed for ideal Pinot noir ripening. The Pinots from this vintage have proved to offer fantastic fruit driven wines. This is the sixth Tête de Cuvée release since 1997 and follows in the tradition of blending a handful of the best barrels to carry this title. In this case it is twelve barrels!

in the cellar : Pinot noir arguably plays its biggest role in the arena of winemaking by way of its role as the major component of French Champagne. Fine red wines made from Pinot noir have their respect from selective sites on the Hills of Gold in Burgundy, France. Here in the Hemel-en-Aarde Valley near Hermanus the Pinot noir grape has enjoyed consistent success which offers undeniable support for the claim that this valley is Africa's benchmark location for this fine grape variety. To build on these ideal conditions I have taken advantage of this opportunity to make a special blend by utilizing the best barrels in the cellar for a smaller unique bottling! These limited release bottlings are called Tête de Cuvée.

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