

## Bouchard Finlayson Galpin Peak Pinot Noir 2007

Wine Spectator January 2009 - 91 points

Firm but deliciously elegant. Fragrant rich with exuberant fruit and long lasting palate profile.

"With more horse-power than my other two Pinots, Galpin Peak is a youthful brute, but there is serious breeding here and this trio is the finest ever from the Cape." - *Matthew Jukes' Top 50 from Cape Wine 2008*

variety : Pinot Noir | 100% Pinot Noir

winery : Bouchard Finlayson Boutique Vineyard

winemaker : Peter Finlayson

wine of origin : Walker Bay

analysis : alc : 14.20 % vol    rs : 1.6 g/l    pH : 3.56    ta : 5.7 g/l

type : Red    style : Dry    wooded

pack : Bottle    closure : Cork

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ageing : Early drinking but will mature well.

**in the vineyard :** A great vintage with loads of flavour, excellent body and a host of lingering expectations. This is now the fifteenth vintage of domaine grapes where credibility has not been compromised. Our vineyard strategy of high density, close plantings reflects positively on our founding philosophy in search of better wines.

Recently I noted a comment where it was stated that Pinot noir is the most terroir driven grape of all. It is even claimed that it has no personal flavour description other than that which its immediate terroir can imprint on the wine. A characteristic which makes this section of the Hemel-en-Aarde Valley so unique.

**about the harvest:** The 2007 vintage was really early with most of the crop being taken in before end January. The weeks picking was intense with great summer weather making life tough on the grape pickers but fortunately no quality distraction was experienced - in fact the dry conditions have most definitely ameliorated this wine.



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