Bouchard Finlayson Galpin Peak Pinot Noir Tete de Cuvee 2017 - SOLD OUT

Regal and focused, with silky layers of ripe blueberry and vivid plum that shows touches of spice and espresso. Restrained initially, but gains depth over the length of the palate and lingers effortlessly on a refined finish. Polished tannin integrates well, but the wine demands patience to reveal its full potential.

An ideal companion to Sunday lunch or that special occasion dinner - Coq au vin being a firm favourite. Enjoy with wild mushroom-topped rack of lamb, served pink, or simply a seared piece of fresh game fish.



variety : Pinot Noir | 100% Pinot Noir
winery : Bouchard Finlayson Boutique Vineyard
winemaker : Chris Albrecht
wine of origin : Walker Bay
analysis : **alc :** 13.95 % vol **rs :** 2.3 g/l **pH :** 3.53 **ta :** 5.3 g/l
type : Red **style :** Dry **wooded**
pack : Bottle **size :** 750ml **closure :** Cork

Tim Atkin Report 2019 - 94 Points

ageing : Best from 2020 through 2030.

in the vineyard : Similarly to the 2016 vintage, a voluminous crop had set, following ideal flowering conditions. However, during veraison, strict discipline was required in removing late developing bunches – a practice known as green harvesting, leaving a balanced and prospectively superb crop. Apart from the rejuvenating 2 inches of rain that fell a week prior to the first picking date, cool and dry conditions prevailed throughout harvest, allowing for a healthy and leisurely ripening.

in the cellar : Tête de Cuvée is not presented at every vintage, but only considered in those that offer exceptional quality fruit. The emphasis here is placed on attaching the best Pinot Noir ferments to best new wood with the intention of sculpting a top quality, collectors wine. This bottling is regarded as the most promising wine from the cellar and carries the Bouchard Finlayson flag. These particular grapes stem from the oldest vines on the property, where the vineyard has been intentionally planted to a high density model. The winemaker selects individual barrels to compile the chosen components – in this instance only four, of which half were new oak.

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