

## Bouchard Finlayson Galpin Peak Pinot Noir 2021

Fragrant and seductive red cherry perfume underpins an iron-rich mineral edge. Gently extracted fine tannins enrobe a delicate, yet vibrant structure. It is elegant and accessible, with refined oak and a layered, rewarding finish. Best from 2023 through 2030.

A wine of substance – generously structured for the long haul. Immediately expressive succulent plum, clove and nutmeg. Well defined and concentrated black olive tapenade and cranberry tart flavours, all elegantly packaged around an ever-present kelp-like tannin. Velvety smooth finish.

**variety** : Pinot Noir | 100% Pinot Noir

**winery** : Bouchard Finlayson Boutique Vineyard

**winemaker** : Chris Albrecht

**wine of origin** : Hemel-en-Aarde Valley

**analysis** : alc : 13.19 % vol rs : 2.2 g/l pH : 3.47 ta : 5.5 g/l

**type** : Red **style** : Dry **body** : Medium **taste** : Fragrant **wooded**

**pack** : Bottle **size** : 750ml **closure** : Cork

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2023 Michelangelo Awards - Pinot Noir Trophy

2023 IWSC - Silver

2023 Decanter Awards - Silver

Although Pinot Noir is unique in that it possesses both delicacy and richness, it is often quoted as exhibiting little varietal character, rather expressing the region's terroir. Hence, it carries the crown of being the most terroir-expressive of all grape varieties. It is in only a few locations in the world that a certain combination of soil and climate allows this elusive grape to be expressed to its fullest potential. The Hemel-en-Aarde Valley is one of those places.

**in the cellar** : Eight Estate vineyards, ranging in age from ten to thirty years, contribute to this expression of Pinot Noir. Various clonal material also plays a role, but the classic Dijon 113, 115, 667 and 777 are predominant. Each vineyard plot is vinified separately, with emphasis placed on accentuating its distinctive characteristics. Blended after 11 months maturation in French oak, 30% of which were new. Bottled, following 4 months elevage, in May 2022.



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