

# 2020 SEPPELT DRUMBORG VINEYARD HENTY PINOT MEUNIER

THIS WINE FORMS PART OF SEPPELT'S PRIZED DRUMBORG VINEYARD RANGE, SOURCED FROM THE MATURE, COOL-CLIMATE SEPPELT DRUMBORG VINEYARD IN SOUTH-WEST VICTORIA'S HENTY REGION. PLANTED IN 1964 BY KARL SEPPELT AND SWEPT BY ICY WINDS FROM THE SOUTHERN OCEAN, IT IS ONE OF THE SOUTHERN-MOST VINEYARDS OF MAINLAND AUSTRALIA.

PINOT MEUNIER WAS PLANTED AT DRUMBORG IN 1966 TO BE USED AS A COMPONENT OF PREMIUM SPARKLING WINE, HOWEVER IT CAN PRODUCE VERY INTERESTING AND DELICIOUS DRY TABLE WINES REMINISCENT OF PINOT NOIR. SEPPELT DRUMBORG VINEYARD PINOT MEUNIER IS A UNIQUE EXAMPLE OF THIS VARIETY AND IS AMONGST ONLY A HANDFUL OF WINES MADE IN THIS FASHION IN AUSTRALIA.

## **GRAPE VARIETY**

Pinot Meunier 86% Pinot Noir 14%

## WINEMAKING AND MATURATION

The fruit was destemmed into small open fermenters with a proportion of whole bunches included. 6-9 days' fermentation on skins was followed by partial barrel fermentation and 9 months maturation on lees in Seasoned French barriques

## COLOUR

Light burgundy

#### NOSE

The perfumed nose is layered with complex spice, gunflint, bramble and subtle gamey notes. Wild strawberry adds depth and richness

#### PALATE

The palate is savoury with charcuterie notes underpinning juicy sour cherry and redcurrant. Very fine tannins and delicate acid give the wine an ethereal finish

# VINEYARD REGION

Fruit is exclusively sourced from the Seppelt Drumborg vineyard in Henty, Victoria.

## **VINEYARD CONDITIONS**

A cool winter with good rainfall was followed by a dry spell and then two frost events in early October. Cool conditions during the flowering period resulted in good fruit set. Outside of some high temperatures and windy conditions in late December the remainder of the growing season was cool with long periods of drizzly conditions. Yields were consistent and quality was good.

#### TECHNICAL ANALYSIS

Harvest Date: Late March 2020

pH: 3.58 Acidity: 5.6 g/L Alcohol: 12.5%

Residual Sugar: 0.0 g/L Peak Drinking: Now until 2025



