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2023 The Esplanade Pinot Noir

Coldstream Hills prides itself for having access to many of the best vineyards in the Yarra Valley. These sites are found throughout the upper and lower Yarra Valley with each vineyard providing a range of unique characteristics to the wines. Back in the late 1980s, James Halliday introduced single vineyard wines to Coldstream Hills and demonstrated their unique styles. The tradition has continued with the release of the Single Vineyard range.

Syme Vineyard, Gruyere

Block: The Esplanade

Vines planted: 1998

Clone: MV6

Winemaker Comments Andrew Fleming

Vintage conditions: A cold wet start to the growing season proved challenging in the vineyards with fruit set and ultimately yields lower than average. Summer began with high humidity, but during the ripening period became stable and dry. The onset of flavour development occurred relatively rapidly with fine acidity retained across all varieties.

Technical Analysis

Harvest Date 8th March 2023 pH 3.48 Acidity 5.3g/L Alcohol 13.5 % Residual Sugar 0.0 g/L Bottling Date February 2024 Peak Drinking Now - 2034 Grape Variety Pinot Noir

Maturation.

Nine months in French oak – thirty-eight percent new with the remainder in seasoned French oak barriques.

Colour Medium light crimson cherry red

Bouquet Attractive and brooding, with dark cherry characters underpinned by hints of five spice and the wine's characteristic savoury edge. French oak adds plushness and complexity, with mineral graphite evident in the background.

Palate Medium-bodied in style with texture and the locale's signature fine-grained chalky tannins. Dark cherry notes dominate, supported harmoniously by muddled strawberry, star anise and beautifully balanced oak.