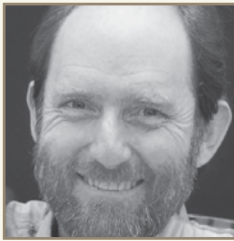


BROKENWOOD



2008 BROKENWOOD PINOT NOIR

WINEMAKER:	Iain Riggs
REGION:	Beechworth, Victoria
VARIETALS:	Pinot Noir
MATURATION:	12 months in predominately older French oak barriques
ALCOHOL:	14% alc/vol

WINEMAKING:

The 2008 Pinot Noir is handcrafted using grapes from Brokenwood's Beechworth vineyard in North East Victoria. Highlighting the quality of this region, the wine is a blend of 3 clones: 114, 115 and MV6.

The 2008 growing season produced ripe Pinot Noir grapes at picking. To achieve retention of the fresh fruit characters, the must underwent a cold soak prior to fermentation with approximately 10% whole bunches in the ferment. No post ferment maceration was undertaken. Oak maturation was in predominantly older French oak barriques for 12 months.

TASTING NOTES:

The 2008 Brokenwood Pinot Noir is a mid-weight Pinot Noir. Good depth of color and youthful purple tints are evident. Great complexity to the aromas. Lifted red cherry over sweet earthy savory characters with a touch of oak sweetness. The balance is aided by ripe tannins giving a lingering finish. The will mature further, although enjoyable as a fresh, zippy young Pinot Noir.

CRITICAL ACCLAIM: 88 pts - Robert Parker's The Wine Advocate

ABOUT BROKENWOOD:

A benchmark Australian winery founded in 1970 by Sydney trio Tony Albert, John Beeston and Australia's leading wine critic, James Halliday, Brokenwood evolved from a weekend venture for these self-professed hobby winemakers into one of Australia's most reputable wine labels. With the appointment of winemaker, Iain Riggs, in 1982, the company extended its range to include the jewel of the Hunter Valley, Semillon and is known for producing one of the nation's most iconic single vineyard wines, The Graveyard Shiraz.



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