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2012 PLANTAGENET OMRAH PINOT NOIR

WINEMAKER: Cath Oates
REGION: Grown on the Rocky Horror, Bouverie & Hayview vineyards in Western Australia's Great Southern region
VARIETALS: Pinot Noir
ANALYSIS: 13.5% alc/vol | 5.9 g/L TA | 3.65 pH

VINTAGE REPORT:

A generally warm and dry February and March after a wet spring reduced some disease pressure and allowed fruit to ripen steadily and good flavors to develop. A hot spell at the beginning of March fast-tracked all the white varieties, finishing off the flavor development nicely, while retaining the hallmark acid profile of the region.

WINEMAKING:

The 2012 Omrah Pinot Noir was fermented at warm temperatures in a mixture of open and closed fermenters. Plunging and pumping over was practiced daily for 10 days prior to gentle pressing. Each batch was kept separate and racked to French oak barrels, of which 20% were new. The blend was partially assembled after malolactic fermentation in June, then racked back to barrel for further maturation prior to bottling.

TASTING NOTES:

Generous cherry and raspberry fruit sparked with the distinctive spice of Pinot and subtle undertones of oak derived vanilla. The finely polished tannins and balanced acidity form a structure perfectly supporting lashings of sweet fruit. This wine is supple and smooth throughout the lengthy and focused finish.

CRITICAL ACCLAIM:

90 pts James Halliday's Australian Wine Companion, 88 pts Stephen Tanzer's International Wine Cellar, 88 pts Wine Enthusiast

ABOUT PLANTAGENET:

An historic producer, Plantagenet Wines was the first winery to be established in Western Australia's Great Southern wine region. Named after the local Shire of Plantagenet, the winery was founded in 1968 when English immigrant Tony Smith identified the potential of these wild and remote lands by planting vines on his Mount Barker property. His initial plantings impressed, producing Rhône-style Shirazes and stylish Cabernet Sauvignons, soon to be joined by Pinot Noir, Riesling and Chardonnay. These aromatic varieties thrived in the cool, continental climate, and Plantagenet has gone on to become one of the leading names in the region, as well as a driving force in establishing the Great Southern as a distinctive, quality-focused Australian wine region.



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