

2019 GREYWACKE PINOT NOIR

Review Summary

GREYWACKE

96 pts “Sourced mainly from the Yarrum vineyard, this is an intense and compelling Pinot Noir that strikes a perfect balance between fresh fruit purity and exotic smoky oak. Brooding aromas of earth, savoury herbs, rhubarb, pomegranate, dark plums, blackberries and Christmas spices flow onto the silky, midweight palate, which brims with cleansing citrus acidity, firm tannins and a wet stone tang. Drinking beautifully now, but this layered, complex wine has all the elements to evolve well.”

Tina Gellie
Decanter
February 16, 2022

93 pts “The 2019 Pinot Noir is an impressive, broody, rich wine with a smoky, meaty personality. There’s a change to the maturation regimen in 2019, with élevage reduced from 18 to 12 months, but the wine spent its maturation time in high-toast Mercurey barrels, which have a strong personality. The depth of fruit carries the smoky bacon-like oak flavors and acts as a counterpoint to the sweet red cherry and floral notes. The finish is dry, savory and relatively robust. I rather like this for its “no guts, no glory” attitude. Best Greywacke Pinot yet? Probably.”

Rebecca Gibb MW
Vinous
April 12, 2022

93 pts “Lots of strawberry, plum and cherry aromas with hints of flowers and spices. Medium to full body with firm tannins and a long, energetic finish. A little tight now, but will open nicely in two or three years.”

Nick Stock
JamesSuckling.com
November 9, 2021

92 pts “Pure and fresh, with strawberry-rhubarb compote, raspberry and red licorice notes that show touches of caramel and malty Assam black tea on the long finish, backed by plush tannins.”

MaryAnn Worobiec
Wine Spectator
May 26, 2022



92 pts "Burgundy/black in color, the 2019 Pinot Noir leads with a nose littered with bone/meat broth, pink and black peppercorn, umami mushroom and black cherry. In the mouth, the wine is ripe tasting, sinewy and dark, shaped by firm tannins. There's just a lick of salted licorice. Tasted September 2023 with Kevin Judd at the estate in Marlborough."

Erin Larkin
Robert Parker Wine Advocate
November 30, 2023