





**Bay of Fires Pinot Noir 2021** 





The Bay of Fires wines were born of a desire to showcase the best possible cool climate varietal wines Tasmania can offer, combining fruit intensity, refinement and persistence of flavour. The 2021 Pinot Noir represents the continued evolution of this wine as we explore and develop vineyard resources. Our philosophy is to nurture elegance and develop ripe flavour profiles.

## **Tasting Notes**

Bright, vibrant red in colour, the perfume of this wine is very complex. Sweet ripe strawberry fruit features with Chinese spice from MV 6 cloned vineyards and whole bunch influence – star anise, cinnamon plum blossom. Although elegant and supple, the wine shows remarkable power, intensity and length on the palate. Framed by ripe, moderate tannin the sweet strawberry fruit is complemented but not dominated by spice. Overall the wine has wonderful poise and balance with remarkable length of flavour as all great Pinot Noirs should.

## Winemaker's Notes

The 2021 Vintage in Tasmania was a classic cool season. A wet winter set us up well for the growing season, aided by a dry November with neither frost nor wine causing an issue. A cooler season led to slow ripening where the vines enjoyed regular rainfall. A later start and longer ripening period resulted in wines that are full of flavour, rich in concentration and supported by creamy mid-palate weight. Pinot is very strong the full range of flavour spectrum from red to dark and violet fruit, supported by ripe tannin profiles and a silky texture. 2021 was a very promising year indeed.

Here at Bay of Fires Winery our philosophy on Pinot Noir production is to preserve to bottle the essential characteristics of the vineyard fruit and create the highest quality blend from subregional Tasmania. Gentle handling of the fruit and wine help to achieve this, while restrained winemaking assists in developing the complexity of the final blend. Several of the vineyards we source Pinot Noir from were planted for us at carefully selected sites. These are now developing in maturity, which translates to better balance and depth of flavour in our wines. The 2021 Bay of Fires Pinot Noir exemplifies this development showing richness and elegance that is so desirable from cool climate Tasmania.

Vintage 2021

Growing Areas Tasmania (East Coast, Coal River Valley & Derwent Valley)

Grape Variety Pinot Noir
Winemaker Penny Jones
Alcohol 13.5%
Cellaring 5 -10 years

