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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 2022 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 graceful 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 2022 Vintage in Tasmania was not without its challenges, with vast differences in the behaviours of each of the sub-regions. A long and wet winter and following spring let to a slow ripening season with small yields. The Derwent and Coal River Valleys both experienced relatively cool and slow ripening seasons, producing excellent quality fruit that arrived very late in the season, picked at relatively high Baumes to manage the high acid retention. The outcome of this tricky season is bright and intensely concentrated wines with complex flavour, ripe structure and lovely mid palate weight.

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 2022 Bay of Fires Pinot Noir exemplifies this development showing richness and elegance that is so desirable from cool climate Tasmania.

Vintage 2022

Growing Areas Tasmania (Coal River Valley, Derwent Valley)

Grape Variety Pinot Noir
Winemaker Penny Jones
Alcohol 13.6%
Cellaring 5 -10 years

