
PUNT ROAD EMPEROR'S PRIZE PINOT NOIR 2016



Wine Introduction

Punt Road's "Emperor's Prize" vineyard at Coldstream stands as one of the Australian wine industry's most historic sites. Planted in the 1862, the original vineyards were responsible for many wine awards, including the "Emperor's Prize" at the 1881 Melbourne International Exhibition. Now replanted with classic varieties, the "Emperor's Prize" vineyard is once again producing stunning fruit, and in the winery they become wines of style and finesse.

Tasting Notes

Raspberry, forest floor, rose petals and graphite all combine on a silky light to medium-weight palate.

Winemaker Vinification Notes

Made to show off the richness and freshness of the fruit, a lightness of touch with the oak and a combination of whole-bunch, whole-berry and fully crushed fermentation has delivered a delicious array of aromas and flavours.

Winemaker Vintage Notes

The earliness of vintage 2016 was largely climatic, but a bit lunar as well. The flowering of the vines occurred during a very warm, dry spell – perfect conditions for an even fruit set. Those conditions endured throughout Christmas and into January. We had just enough rainfall (in two big events) to squeak us through but it was touch and go there for a while. The early Easter (the first full moon after the vernal equinox being late March) reminds us that nature takes its cues from the moon – and will not be argued with!

Wine Information

Country:	Australia
Region:	Yarra Valley
Winemaker:	Tim Shand
Grape:	100% Pinot Noir
Alcohol:	13.0%
Closure:	Screwcap
Bottle Size:	75cl
Case Size:	6 Bottles per pack