



PEPPER TREE

LIMITED RELEASE

‘BLOCK C6’ 2021 Orange Pinot Noir

Our Pinot Noir from Orange is showcasing some exceptional fruit qualities and regional characteristics true to this style. The elegant cool climate Pinot Noir displays a nose of forest floor and dark cherry notes, balanced by a complex palate with subtle hints of raspberries and delicate tannins lingering into the finish.

Head Winemaker, Gwyn Olsen

VINTAGE

Orange experienced damp cool conditions in Spring and early Summer leading to favourable slow ripening conditions for whites such as Chardonnay and Sauvignon Blanc. This also applied to Riesling which was the star of the vintage. Pinot Noir ripened slowly and produced some very good parcels. Shiraz and Cabernet were picked late in the season with good colour and acid balance and look to have a promising future.

The overall assessment of the Orange 2021 vintage was that it was a cool late ripening vintage which gave wines of great balance and flavour with good ageing potential.

APPELLATION / GI

Orange (New South Wales) 100%,

WINEMAKING

A select pick of different Pinot Noir clones, the fruit was destemmed and cold soaked for five days before being inoculated for ferment. Once fermentation was complete the resulting wine was pressed off skins and matured in French oak puncheons. The individual barrels were then tasted, blended and prepared for bottling.

VINEYARD

The Orange region is favoured for its high altitude cool climate. Situated approximately 270 km west of Sydney the topography and soils of the region are dominated by the extinct volcano Mt Canobolas. Soils in the central part of the region are derived from the basaltic lavas of the old volcano, and primarily consist of deep red to brown free draining clay loams.

TECHNICAL INFORMATION:

BLEND:	Pinot Noir (100%)
BOTTLING DATE:	04/2022
PH:	3.8
TA:	5.5 g/l
ALC/VOL:	13.7%
STANDARD DRINKS:	8.1



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