

Claconda Pinot Noir Pinot Noir

2004 GIACONDA Nantua Vineyard Pinot Noir (Beechworth, Vic.)

\$300

Jeremy Oliver 2006: "Fine and silky, this elegant and tightly knit wine needs time to evolve into a Volnay-like expression of pinot Already quite evolved, it reveals rustic, reductive and briary scents of dark plums, red cherries, smoked meats and dried herbs. Dark and penetrative, supported by dusty, grainy tannins, It's supple and restrained, delivering pristine cherry/plum fruit."



2007 PARINGA ESTATE "The Estate" Pinot Noir (Red Hill South, Mornington)

\$150

Campbell Mattinson August 2009: "Paringa Estate is at the vanguard of top-notch Australian pinot noir. It seems expensive until you taste it, and then you start arguing that it's cheap. It's a stellar wine, smooth, substantial and structured, with spicy, fruity flavours set firmly into ripe, fine, sweet tannin. It's a sweet, celebratory pinot noir worthy of the most important dates on your calendar. Rating - 96 Points "



2008 MOSS WOOD Pinot Noir (Margaret River)

\$140

WineTracker (MH): " Dark ruby colour with a medium intensity. A burst of red fruits, cherries, redcurrants on the nose with a hint of spice and slight creamy vanilla. On the palate, an explosive new world pinot noir that is definitely fruit frontal and primarily dark cherries. Nothing too complex here. Tannins are gentle and slightly powdery. Definitely a fuller-bodied, rather heavy Pinot Noir made in a"big fruity style." Halliday rating: 90 Points



2009 FELTON ROAD Block 5 Pinot Noir (Central Otago, NZ)

\$240

The "Grand Cru" of New Zealand. Bob Campbell MW: "Block 5 lives up to its exalted reputation in what is an excellent Central Otago vintage. A fragrant, almost floral nose with the scent of dark berries, violet and wildflowers. Concentrated flavours on the palate with a stronger fruit focus together with a savoury, spicy influence. Obviously youthful but still approachable although the wine appears to have hidden depths that will be revealed in time. A smooth, rich texture adds appeal while a lengthy finish indicates impressive power. Rating: 97 Points



2009 PARINGA ESTATE "The Paringa" Pinot Noir (Red Hill South, Mornington)

\$175

James Halliday August 2012: "A fraction of purple to the crimson colour; the super-fragrant bouquet leaps out of the glass, exuding black cherries and a dash of French oak; the palate has even greater elegance and length than the '10 Estate, oak and tannins part of the picture as an essential part of the future of a beautiful pinot. Has cruised along serenely since last taste a year ago, its future as sure today as it was then. Rating: 97 Points"



2009 PARINGA ESTATE "Estate" Pinot Noir (Red Hill South, Mornington)

\$125

MAGNUM \$220

Tyson Stelzer: "One of the darkest and most robust on the Peninsula, with a full purple hue and an intense palate of exact black cherry definition, lingering long amidst brambles, forest floor, anise and dried herbs. It captures silky refinement in the midst of impressive concentration, with firm, drying tannins propelling its fruit long into the finish. **Rating - 94 Points** "



2010 BARRATT "The Bonython" Adelaide Hills Pinot Noir

\$75

WM 2016: "From a great vintage, and grown by a 5 star Halliday rated vineyard this is a smooth and beautifully supple pinot. Picked from older, low yielding vines (only two tonnes / acre) and matured in French oak, this wine shows a bright crimson colour, with lovely pinot flavours balanced by fresh acidity and smooth, gentle tannin. This is close to the very top flight of pinot's, as evidenced by James Halliday giving it 92 points."



2010 BROKENWOOD "Indigo Vineyard" Beechworth, Vic Pinot Noir

\$95

Andrew Caillard MW: "A medium-bodied sweetly fruited style, it highlights the capacity of Beechworth to produce compelling cool-climate wines. The 2010 vintage was superb with abundant warmth and sunshine. Pale ruby hue. Fragrant just ripe strawberry stemmy fruit, leads into brawny slightly muscular palate with abundant ripe strawberry fruit supported by stemmy tannins. Drink now to 2020 "

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2010 ELDRIDGE ESTATE Pinot Noir (Red Hill, Mornington Peninsula)

\$140

Huon Hooke: "This is a lighter-coloured, shy pinot that reveals more the longer you taste it. Subtly delicious, complex but not showy, it's light- to medium-bodied and almost lean, but focused and taut in the mouth. This outstanding pinot will reward cellaring. Drink to 2022. Rating - 95 Points"



2010 MAIN RIDGE ESTATE "The Acre" Pinot Noir (Red Hill, Mornington)

\$220

Sarah Ahmed (The Australian): "Aged in 40% new oak, (the 2010) One Acre is creamier and more expressive with a translucency to its red berry and cherry fruits. Skeins of fine tannins lightly thread the palate, making for a sleeker, more broachable wine, still within a drier spectrum. Lovely."



2010 MAIN RIDGE ESTATE "Half Acre" Pinot Noir (Red Hill, Mornington)

\$220

James Halliday: "Bright mid garnet; red fruits, florals and spicy notes mingle with restraint on the bouquet; the palate is fresh, taut and generous, with vibrant acidity, silky tannins and an expansive peacock's tail of flavour on full display; time will reward patient cellaring. Rating - 95 Points"



2010 PARADIGM HILL "L'Ami Sage" Pinot Noir (Merricks, Mornington)

\$145

Ben Edwards (Wine Companion, July 2012): "Mid-crimson; a young and unevolved bouquet of red fruits, Asian spices and an underlying fresh herb complexity; the palate is finely textured, lacy and long, with a truly expansive personality showing generosity and the backbone for cellaring potential. Rating: 94 Points"



2010 PRANCING HORSE ESTATE Pinot Noir (Red Hill South, Mornington)

\$125

James Halliday: "Mid garnet; a fragrant bouquet of cherry, bramble and fresh-cut sage; the palate reveals fine acidity, fine tannins with a strong savoury aspect providing complexity on the long finish. Drink to 2020 . Rating: 94 Points"



2010 STONIER 2010 "Reserve" Pinot Noir (Merricks, Mornington Peninsula)

\$130

Jeremy Oliver: "Charmingly smooth, fine and ethereal, with a deep but slightly closed and earthy perfume of rose petals, cherries and berries tightly integrated with scents of exotic spices and sweet vanilla/cedary oak. Underpinned by fine, crunchy tannins, its long, seamless palate delivers spotlessly pure, vibrant varietal fruit with silkiness and suppleness, finishing with exceptional persistence and freshness." Rating: 95 Points



2010 YABBY LAKE Single Vineyard Pinot Noir (Moorooduc, Mornington Peninsula)

\$160

James Halliday August 2011: "Strong, deep and clear colour, there is a mix of dark cherry, plum and spice in the core of the palate, fine tannins running throughout giving texture, structure and flavour; glorious drive and length. Drink by 2017" Rating: 96 Points



2012 HURLEY VINEYARDS "Lodestone" Pinot Noir (Balnarring, Mornington Peninsula)

\$160

James Halliday: "Lodestone is the 1.2ha north-sloping estate vineyard planted with clones 114, 115, 777 and MV6; Light, bright colour; the multi-clone composition seems to invest this wine with greater depth and complexity, starting with a distinct fragrance of violets before bringing into play the plush dark fruits and gently savoury/earthy finish. For me, a delicious wine. Drink by 2023. "Rating: 95 Points

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2012 JONES ROAD WINES "The Nepean" Pinot Noir (Moorooduc, Mornington Peninsula)

James Halliday: "The best estate-grown pinot noir, with only 275 dozen made; destemmed to open fermenters, hand-plunged: matured for nine months in a mix of new and used barriages from Burgundian coopers. Light, bright crimson; both the fragrant bouquet and palate are complex, albeit with only light-bodied red cherry/strawberry spice fruits; has very good line and length. Drink by: 2019 " Rating: 94 Points



2012 PARADIGM HILL "L'Ami Sage" Pinot Noir (Merricks, Mornington \$125

James Halliday: "Clones MV6 and 115; a 7-day cold soak was followed by an open vat wild yeast ferment, thereafter spending 18 months in French oak (39% new); 675 dozen made. The colour is excellent, the wine with the precision of a young burgundy, still tight and waiting to open up, which it will do. Drink by: 2022 "Rating: 94 Points



2012 PARINGA ESTATE "Estate" Pinot Noir (Red Hill South, Mornington)

MAGNUM James Halliday: "Bright, light crimson-purple; the expressive bouquet has red and \$220 black cherry, a splash of plum and a touch of French oak; the flavours of the palate fall into line with the bouquet, but their depth and the polished tannins are all Paringa markers. Rating: 95 Points"



\$150 2012 PARINGA ESTATE "The Paringa" Pinot Noir (Red Hill South, Mornington

James Halliday: "Surprisingly light colour, but crystal clear and bright; the intense bouquet sends a big come-on signal, both it and the palate with an almost ethereal display of pure red fruits." Rating: 97 Points



2012 ST. HUBERTS Pinot Noir (Yarra Valley, Vic)

James Halliday: "Very good colour; the fragrant bouquet has a mix of red and black fruits that flow into the supple and long palate; here notes of spice and oak join the red cherry and plum fruit, with fine-grained tannins and quality (but restrained) oak. Rating - 95 Points"



2012 WILLOW CREEK Pinot Noir (Merricks North, Mornington Peninsula - now Jackalope)

GenXY Wines Jan 2015: "an outstanding vintage, supple, medium and focussed red cherry and strawberry with mint and rose petal notes, opens up to some earthy beetroot aspects, firm herbal $edged\ stemmy\ acidity\ with\ clove/cinnamon\ oak,\ fine\ tannins\ and\ a\ dab\ of\ dark\ chocolate\ on\ the$ finish. Drink by 2020 . Rating: 4.5 Stars "



2012 YABBY LAKE Single Block 2 Pinot Noir (Moorooduc, Mornington Peninsula)

James Halliday: " (like Block 1, which won the Jimmy Watson trophy for the 2012), this block is also planted to MV6, and the hand-picking and sorting, fermentation and maturation are the same as that for Block 1. There are, however, distinct differences between the two wines, this having an $extra\ measure\ of\ spice\ and\ perfume\ on\ the\ bouquet,\ and\ more\ savoury\ tannins\ on\ the\ back-palate$ and finish. So the wines are different, but cannot be split at this point of time in terms of quality. Drink by: 2028 Rating: 97 Points



2013 AKARUA Pinot Noir (Bannockburn, Central Otago, NZ)

Champion Pinot Noir two years in a row at the New Zealand International Wine Show Raymond Chan (NZ): "Aged 10 months in 30% new French oak barriques. Full, dark, purplehued ruby-red colour. Medium to full bodied, the mouthfeel is very fine-featured, the fruit sweetness balanced by fine-grained tannin extraction and integrated acidity. This is a beautifully rich and succulent, ripe, dark-fruited Pinot Noir with an array of flavour detail and a harmonious, finegrained, complete mouthfeel. Rating 19+ / 20"



2013 ELDRIDGE ESTATE Pinot Noir (Red Hill, Mornington Peninsula)

Veno: "Precision is the word here. Made from 7 clones of Pinot Noir planted on the 3 hectare vineyard of Red Hill. Complex in all ways with a marachino cherry character that seems to run through each vintage. it is a very elegant style of Pinot with the most gentle of tannins that build towards the back of the palate".

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2013 HURLEY VINEYARDS "Garamond" Pinot Noir (Balnarring, Mornington Peninsula)

\$140

Fine Wine Merchants: "produced entirely from MV6 on an east-facing site of just over a hectare. Immediately appealing aromas of rose petal, florals, red cherry, plum and minerals. Very complex on the palate, where the ripe, juicy fruit is beautifully framed by very fine tannins and crisp, refreshing acidity. Very pure and noble. Terrific length of finish on the palate, and layers of complexity just add to the delight of this wine. Some very nice spicy notes in the aftertaste. A really impressive effort. 95 points, drink 2016 to 2024." (May 2015).



2013 KOOYONG WINES "Haven" Single Vineyard Pinot Noir (Tuerong, Mornington Peninsula)

\$160

The Australian Wine Annual 2016 Jeremy Oliver: " Artfully made and complex, with delicate but deeply floral layers of red cherries, dark plums and faintly smoky oak backed by meaty notes of cloves, cinnamon and nutmeg. Supple and silky, it's smooth and deftly balanced, unfolding layers of pristine, vibrant fruit that glide with elegance and lightness towards its long, refreshing and savoury finish". Rating: 96 points



2013 KOOYONG WINES "Meres" Single Vineyard Pinot Noir (Tuerong, Mornington Peninsula)

\$160

Campbell Mattinson: "Polish, power and poise. Depth of fruit and flavour but it never becomes bogged down; it keeps flowing with cherry-plum and chicory flavour, notes of coffee grounds and undergrowth more than enough to raise your pulse. Excellent length. Terrific wine." Rating: 96 points



2013 LOWBURN FERRY "Skeleton Creek" Pinot Noir (Central Otago, NZ)

\$125

Raymond Chan: "The Lowburn Ferry Pinot Noirs of Roger and Jean Gibson are among some of Central Otago's most awarded. The 2013 shows a very dark, purple-hued ruby-red colour with intense aromas of ripe raspberry and boysenberry fruits intermixed with black plums, herbs and stalky elements. These all come through on the medium to full underlined by a firm, tannin core and brisk, racy acidity. The palate unfolds with earth and game nuances leading to a long, drytextured finish . Rating: 5 Stars, 19/20"



2013 PARADIGM HILL "L'Ami Sage" Pinot Noir (Merricks, Mornington)

\$140

[Served in Qantas First Class] George and Ruth Mihaly started their tiny 4.2 acres vineyard at Merricks on the Mornington Peninsula in late 1999. James Halliday: "The 19 separate facts on the back label include resveratrol, pH and titratable acidity, most relevant clones (MV6 and 115) and 18 months in oak (33% new). A pure and beautifully balanced pinot, red and black cherry fruit gently framed by oak and fine-grained tannins. Rating - 96 Points"



2013 PARINGA ESTATE "The Paringa" Pinot Noir (Red Hill South, Mornington Peninsula)

\$145

James Halliday: "Outside the normal Paringa Estate style, more elegant and fine with red fruits dominant; in part it reflects the vintage, which made southern Vic pinots notably elegant, with excellent line and length. I suspect they will also surprise with their tenacity over the years ahead. Drink to 2025. Rating: 95 Points"



2013 QUEALY "17 Rows" Pinot Noir (Balnarring, Mornington Peninsula)

\$95

James Halliday Jan 2015: "From the oldest MV6 vines on the Peninsula, planted in 1982. It pours on the velvet and along with it the seduction. This is a wine to settle in with. It's foresty, cherried, a touch meaty and has plenty of cedar-spice notes, but mostly it's about thick layers of satiny flavour, laced with fine threads of tannin. Effectively irresistible. Drink by: 2023 Rating: 95 Points"



2013 ROCKBURN Pinot Noir (Central Otago, New Zealand)

\$135

Raymond Chan: "Malcolm Rees-Francis is the 'rock star' of Central Otago, producing wines that are perfectly judged with classical ripeness & textbook Central Otago fruit expression. The 2013 is dark ruby-red in colour, the nose is elegant with good intensity of vibrantly bright, aromatic black cherry & dark / red berry fruit & some oak char. Medium to full bodied, the fruit is entwined with subtle dark herb & floral notes, spices, liquorice & hints of toasty oak. A very elegant, sweetly rich, smooth & harmonious Pinot Noir with supple tannins. Rating 18.5 / 20"



2013 Valli "Bendigo Vineyard" Pinot Noir (Central Otago, NZ)

\$145

Raymond Chan: "This comes from Chinaman's Terrace high up in Bendigo. Valli has achieved "cult" status in New Zealand & these tiny production, single vineyard bottlings are extremely limited & highly sought after. Full, very dark ruby-red colour. Concentrated nose with intense black cherry & mineral aromas with subtle savoury herb notes. Medium to full bodied, with tightly concentrated flavours of black cherries with violet, liquorice and herbs, minerals & earth. The fruit is rich & sweet, enlivened by soft acidity. The palate features considerable extraction & structure, with a tightly bound finish of succulent black fruits supported by very fine-grained powdery tannins. Rating 96/97 Points

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2015 BASS PHILLIP "Crown Prince" Pinot Noir (Gippsland, Vic)

\$125

Gary Walsh (The Wine Front): "Plenty of capsicum and piquant spice here, with ripe and fresh red fruits, and a light coverlet of sweet oak. Light and fresh, all sappy, spicy and strawberried, with clean lines, ripe tomato acidity, and a playful lick of tannin. Good finish. Nervy and energetic. Like this. Rating: 93 Points "



2015 KOOYONG WINES "Ferrous" Pinot Noir (Tuerong, Mornington Peninsula)

\$125

James Halliday: "There is an energy; a weightlessness, together with a richness. The fruit ekes its way out of the savoury maze, licked with bramble, beetroot and etched by a whole-cluster spike of aniseed and cardamon. The balance of fruit intensity and structural attributes augur for a very bright future 'Rating: 96 Points (part of Port Phillip Estate, Gjergja family)



2015 KOOYONG WINES "Meres" Pinot Noir (Tuerong, Mornington Peninsula)

\$125

Tyson Stelzer: "Rose hip, pink pepper, exotic spice, even pipe smoke unite in a spice-accented Meres of exact red cherry character, eminently Chambolle-Musigny-shaped in its fragrant red $fruited\ allure.\ Finely\ structured,\ mineral\text{-}textured\ tannins\ mark\ out\ a\ delightful\ palate\ line\ .$ Rating: 96 points" (part of Port Phillip Estate, Gjergja family)



2015 MOOROODUC ESTATE "The Moorooduc" McIntyre Pinot Noir (Moorooduc, Mornington Peninsula)

\$125

James Halliday: "Seven clones (MV6, 115, 114, 777, 667, Abel and Pommard), hand-picked, destemmed, wild yeast open-fermented, 19-21 days on skins, matured in French oak (21% new). The bouquet is pure and perfumed, the palate pure silk with wild strawberry and red cherry fruits so intense they all but hid the complex fabric underneath. The balance and length are such that it has years before all of its secondary fruits can be explored. Rating: 97 Points"



2015 MOOROODUC ESTATE "The Robinson" Pinot Noir (Moorooduc, Mornington Peninsula)

\$110

Campbell Mattinson: "Fantastic aromatics. Perfumed, floral, rose petals and strawberries, blossomy, 'of the garden'. It lures you in. The palate then offers more of the same, adding tang and spice, polished cedarwood, a slip of plum. It's textural and lively at once, the mouthfeel supple but the energy high. Drinking it is like stepping into a most interesting, and attractive, world. Halliday rating: 97 Points



2015 YABBY LAKE Single Block Release Block 1 Pinot Noir (Moorooduc, Mornington

 $\textbf{James Halliday}: "100\%\ MV6, hand-picked, 100\%\ whole\ bunches, wild-fermented, 14\ days\ on$ skins, matured for 11 months in French puncheons (20% new). Bright crimson; the hallmark power of Yabby Lake Pinot immediately imprints itself, here with the forest floor/sous bois impact of the whole bunches; great length and balance. Impressive depth to the plummy fruit at the core of the wine. Rating: 96 Points



2015 YABBY LAKE Single Block Release Block 2 Pinot Noir (Moorooduc, Mornington

Gourmet Traveller: "This is a pinot with a ripe dark cherry and smoky oak bouquet. There are charcuterie touches and the wine is meaty and carnal in the mouth. The texture is silky and the fruit is succulent and lush. Delicious. Rating: 95 Points " (May 2017)



2015 YABBY LAKE Single Block Release Block 6 Pinot Noir (Moorooduc, Mornington \$140 Peninsula)

Wine Experience: "Black fruits, spice, brambly and intense. Rich and laden with red and blue fruits, layers of flavours and texture roll in unison with the tightly-packed tannins". James Halliday: "100% Mendoza clone. The difference in the clonal make-up is immediately obvious on the palate, here with greater precision to the grapefruit/grapefruit pith, almond and minerally acidity; the overall line, length and balance is perfect. Rating - 97 Points"



2016 Foxy's "Kentucky Road" Pinot Noir (Red Hill, Mornington Peninsula)

\$75

AusCellar: "The 2016 Foxeys Hangout Pinot Noir is a beautifully structured, silky Mornington Peninsula Pinot Noir with impressive power and length. Plenty of lifted aromatic and morello cherry notes on the nose, the palate is packed with red fruits, with subtle oak, spice and a little gamey, meaty characters. A classy Pinot Noir. " ${f VWS\ Rating}: 93\ {f Points}$