

Bannockburn Pinot Noir

2020



94 POINTS & 4 STARS

Bob Campbell MW | The Real Review

March 2023

Appealing perfume with a savoury edge and more conventional plum, dark cherry and spicy varietal flavours. Accessible wine with moderate cellaring potential. Good food wine.

93 POINTS

Cameron Douglas MS | camdouglasms.com

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A complete wine on the nose and palate with aromas and flavours of red berries and savoury spices, a sense of place and texture from fruit and wood. A dry wine with flavours of red apple skin and cherry flesh, thyme and savoury spices, some wild flowers and forest berries. There's a tautness on the palate showcasing the wine youthful and impact from tannins and acidity - both adding mouthfeel and structure. Well made with plenty of development time ahead. Best drinking from 2024 through 2029+.

4 STARS

Yvonne Lorkin

April 2023

Now in its 26th vintage, this is one of New Zealand's most respected pinot noirs. The 2020 erupts with classic Central Otago dark fruits and dried thyme aromatics, then follows through with attractively layered spice and charred oak notes. There's some tannic cling and grip and it's edged with wild rhubarb and whispers of black tea. Always aged for at least 12 months in bottle before release, it's classic, stylish and very appealing.

5 STARS

Michael Cooper

February 2023

A regional classic. Certified organic, the 2020 vintage (5) was hand-harvested from estate-grown, mature vines and aged for 11 months in French oak casks (23 per cent new). Deep ruby, it is fragrant and full-bodied, with concentrated, ripe cherry, spice and nut flavours, showing excellent complexity, and a lingering finish. Still fresh and youthful, it's a savoury, finely structured wine, well worth cellaring to 2024+.*