

# Alma Pinot Noir

## 2021

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### 96 POINTS

#### Huon Hooke | The Real Review

January 2023 *Brilliant and deep purple colour; remarkable for pinot noir, then an explosive bouquet of black cherry and dark plum, loaded with spices too numerous to list. Oak (30% new) is perfectly harmonised. There is no whole-bunch character—less than 3% of stems were included—so the wine has amazing fruit purity. It's very intense and vivacious in the mouth, with tight, firm but measured tannins and prodigious length. This will richly reward a little cellar time.*

### 96 POINTS & 5 STARS

#### Sam Kim | wineorbit.co.nz

February 2023 *Pristine fruit notes of dark plum and sweet cherry lead the way with notes of floral, thyme, nutmeg and mushroom, it's finely flowing in the mouth delivering plump mouthfeel backed by refreshing acidity and polished tannins. Exquisite and elegant, yet with power and opulence, this should evolve magnificently. At its best: 2024 to 2036.*

### 5 STARS

#### Michael Cooper | Michael Cooper's Buyer's Guide

February 2023 *Since its debut from the 2018 vintage, Alma has emerged as the Hawke's Bay region's finest Pinot Noir. Estate-grown inland, at the Woodthorpe Terraces Vineyard in the Dartmoor Valley, the 2021 vintage (5\*) was matured for 10 months in French oak barriques, new and seasoned. Deep, bright ruby, it is fragrant and full-bodied, with concentrated cherry, plum and spice flavours, complex and savoury, supple tannins and a rich, lingering finish. Still very youthful, it's well worth cellaring to 2025+.*