



Worlds Apart

2023

'MOUNTAIN TOPS'

Pinot Noir | *Adelaide Hills - Australia*



NATURAL



VEGAN

Stats

Grapes: 100% Pinot Noir

Vineyard: Chapel Valley Vineyard (Piccadilly) and Leo's Vineyard (Mount Lofty Summit)

Vine Age: Average: 38-years-old

Soil Type: Very sandy loam over 70 million year old shale rock

Viticulture: Sustainable

Fermentation: Native – open-top fermenters (varying percentages of whole bunch and time on skins - some carbonic)

Skin Contact: 10-14 days

Aging: 8 months in oak (10% new)

Alcohol: 11.6%

pH: 3.58

Total Acidity: 5.2 g/L

Total SO₂: 53 ppm

Total Production: 332 cases

About

As its name suggests, 'Mountain Tops' is made from grapes sourced at high altitude vineyards in the Adelaide Hills, both from Piccadilly and Mount Lofty Summit in 2023. As the name suggests, this wine is an ode to the most nourishing, comforting, nurturing of all topographic formations... Louis could only hope to make wine that brings the same joy and life to people that pink mountain tops, a most inspiring muse, always manage to do... On the label is the radio towers of Mount Lofty, South Australia's highest peak on the back slope of which this vineyard lies. The 2023 vintage was a very cool, wet and extremely late harvest, producing reds of good natural acidity, ethereal perfume and lighter body and color.

The wine is made with three clones – Clones MV6, D5V12, 114 & 115, on Southern, Eastern, and Western aspects – from three picks, eight spontaneous ferments, and varying percentages of whole bunch and time on skins, some carbonic. Overall, it sees 10-14 days of skin contact. It ages in mostly old oak for 8 months, with just 10% new. After aging, it is bottled without fining or filtering and just a dash of sulfur.

Tasting Note

This delicate wine has a pale ruby hue, embodying the vintage's lighter body and color. Ripe strawberry and succulent melon notes grace the palate, accompanied by a growing herbal charm. The lifted finish is marked by good natural acidity and an ethereal perfume.