



Dr. Edge

2021

PINOT NOIR

Tasmania - Australia



NATURAL



VEGAN

Stats

Grapes: 100% Pinot Noir

Vineyard: Meadowbank (Derwent Valley) - Freycinet Vineyard (East Coast) - Stoney Rise Vineyard (Tamar Valley)

Vine Age: 20-35-years-old

Soil Type: Loose sand & sandstone overlying dark brown coffee rock (sand cemented by iron oxides and organic matter)

Viticulture: Sustainable

Fermentation: Native — stainless-steel (1/3 whole cluster carbonic - 2/3 whole berry)

Skin Contact: 12 days

Aging: 9 months in old French oak barriques

Alcohol: 12.5%

pH: 3.5

Total Acidity: 6.1

Total SO2: 55 ppm

Total Production: 208 cases

UPC: None

About

The Dr. Edge 'Tasmania' Pinot Noir is a blend of three vineyard sites from the north, south, and east, but the majority comes from Meadowbank in the Derwent Valley in the south. This vineyard was planted in 1987, which is pretty old for Tasmanian vineyards. Peter is calling the 2021 vintage in Tasmania the best vintage he's seen in 12 years, thanks to healthy diurnal shifts, no terribly inclement weather, and cool temperatures overall that helped lengthen the ripening period and allow for the development of flavor compounds and aroma precursors in the cooler part of the year. Like with all of the Dr. Edge wines, Peter likes to focus on blends of sites to really encapsulate the entirety of the vintage across Tasmania. Plus, this way, he gets to play with the percentages of each block to bring out the elements he desires, which are consistently drive, energy, and texture.

The grapes were hand picked from three vineyards, with multiple vineyard passes. They were hand sorted and then two thirds went through whole-cluster carbonic maceration for 10 days, with the remaining third fermenting whole-berry. All fermentations occurred spontaneously in stainless-steel tanks, after which the wines were racked to old French oak barrels where they aged for 9 months. The wine was then sent through cross-flow filtration and bottled unfiltered with just a 55 ppm sulfur addition.

Tasting Notes

A sense of ethereal origins is immediately perceived, followed by very pretty and delicate red fruit and floral aromas. There is a meaty component, but it remains clean and fresh with clear raspberry and cranberry flavors.

Reviews

The Wine Front | 95 points

Wine Enthusiast | 95 points