



Port Phillip Estate Balnarring Pinot Noir 2020 – Reviews

The Wine Front, August 2021

Campbell Mattinson

It's grown on a vineyard at Balnarring, obviously, that was acquired by Port Phillip Estate in 2007 but was planted in 1997 – though there have been new plantings since then. It's fermented wild and sees 15% new oak.

Varietal character is clear, there's a pleasing creaminess to the texture, and its sinewy tannin and overall structure should see it perform well over the next handful of years, if not slightly longer. Sweet-sour cherry flavours come strung with sweet herb and woody spice notes, plus general reductive elements, plus undergrowth. It doesn't have much stuffing but what it does, it does well.

91 points

The Real Review, August 2021

Huon Hooke

Light to mid-ruby colour with a good tinge of purple. The nose is very bright and aromatic strawberry to raspberry. Light-bodied and fresh, vibrant, crisp, cool-grown style of pinot, delicate and floral with lightness yet intensity and persistence. A delicious, fine-boned pinot.

92 points