

# SUTHERLAND

## VINEYARDS

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## Sutherland Pinot Noir 2018

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### MATURATION

Will continue improving for 5 years.

### FOOD PAIRING

Pinot Noir is a great option for food pairings. It pairs well with lightly flavoured dishes like risotto, salmon and mild beef dishes.

### WINEMAKER'S COMMENTS

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### VITICULTURAL PRACTICES

Varietal	Pinot Noir
Root stock	101 – 14
Soil type	Tukulu / Glenrosa
Age of vines	Planted 2006
Plant density	2058 vines/ha
Trellising	7 wire Perold with moveable foliage wires
Pruning	Spur pruning
Yield	9 - 11.5 t/ha
Irrigation	Supplementary drip
Vintage	A moderate summer with very little rain resulting in ideal growing conditions for grapes.
Picking date	12 February 2018
Grape sugar	23.8 - 24.4°B
Acidity	5.91 - 6.92 g/l
pH at harvest	3.35

### WINEMAKING PRACTICES

Yeasts	Natural occurring yeasts
Fermentation temp	28 °C
Method	De-stalked, hand sorting of berries, crushed, pumped into s/s tanks, punched down for 5 days, racked to barrel for malolactic fermentation.
Wood Maturation	9 months in barrel. 15 % new French oak, balance 3rd and 4th fill barrels.

### WINE DETAILS

Residual sugar	1.98 g/l
pH	3.55
Total acid	5.11 g/l
Alcohol	14%
Maturation	Should peak around 2025