

Misha's Vineyard 'The High Note' Pinot Noir 2013





95/100 \Rightarrow \Rightarrow \Rightarrow \Rightarrow **5** stars "Very appealing pinot noir in a riper style with wonderful purity and energy. Dark cherry, a hint of wood smoke, liquorice and spicy oak flavours topped off with an ethereal texture and lengthy finish. Most of all, I love the wine's purity and subtle power. May 2017". Rated No. 11 of 125 Central Otago Pinot Noirs. (Bob Campbell MW, Bobcampbell.nz)

95/100 \bigstar \bigstar \bigstar \bigstar \bigstar **5** stars "Consistently excellent, this 2013 wine is another gorgeous offering from this outstanding producer. Aromas of dark berry, game, truffle, thyme and almond lead to a generously fruited and richly textured palate that offers engaging savoury complexity. Wonderfully styled and immensely appealing. At its best: now to 2023. April 2017." (Sam Kim, Wine Orbit)

4.5 stars "Released in 2017, the 2013 vintage is an elegant wine, still unfolding. Estate-grown at Bendigo, in the Cromwell Basin, it was harvested at 23.7 - 25.4 brix, fermented with indigenous yeasts and matured in French oak hogsheads (31 per cent new). Full, bright ruby, it is mouthfilling, savoury and complex, with youthful, ripe cherry, plum and spice flavours, balanced acidity, good tannin backbone, and plenty of cellaring potential; best drinking 2019+. (Michael Cooper, Guide to New Zealand Wines, 2017)

18.5+/20 \bigstar \bigstar \bigstar \bigstar \bigstar **5** stars "Dark ruby-red colour with some depth, a little paler on the rim with slight purple hues. The bouquet is initially restrained and brooding, unfolding to reveal intensely fragrant and lifted aromas of dark-red and black cherry and berry fruit, along with hints of liquorice, oak and minerals. Violet and black florals emerge with aeration to add detail and interest. Medium-full bodied, the palate possesses lively, vibrant and aromatically lifted flavours of dark-red and black cherry and berried fruits. The fruit is rich and succulent, unfolding dark herbs, liquorice, floral and oak notes and minerally nuances. The palate is finely structured with fine-grained, but considerable tannin extraction, and balanced acidity. The wine flows with good linearity and elegance, leading to a long, detailed

finish. This is a rich, sweet fruited aromatic Pinot Noir with dark-red and black fruits, liquorice, herb and floral detail on a serious, finely extracted palate. Match with duck and pork dishes, as well as lamb and beef over the next 7-9+ years. Clones 777, Abel, 4, 5 and 115, indigenous yeast fermented with less than 10% whole bunches to 14.0% alc., the wine spending on average 24 days on skins and aged 16 months in 31% new 300 L French oak hogsheads. Apr 2017." (Raymond Chan, www.raymondchanwinereviews.co.nz)

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