



## Misha's Vineyard 'The High Note' Pinot Noir 2021



"The High Note" Pinot Noir has a 'CLASSIC' status in the **Buyer's Guide to New Zealand Wines by Michael Cooper** as it's consistently ranked in the forefront of its class.



**95/100 Outstanding** "There's an immediate place and time, power and variety with scents of dark cherry and savoury wild dried herb, some plum and fruit spice then barrel with a mild toasty anise anise and clove suggestion. There's also a mineral core of stone and hard sandy clay. The palate mirrors the bouquet with core cherry and dried raspberry fruit flavours, firm tannins and plenty of cool climate acidity, layers of wood spice and mineral. Dry, lengthy, complex and still new. A lovely example with best drinking from 2024 through 2034+." April 2023 **Cameron Douglas MS**, [www.camdouglasms.com](http://www.camdouglasms.com))

**5 stars** ★★★★★ "Estate-grown at Bendigo, the very elegant, youthful 2021 vintage (5\*) of "our main estate Pinot Noir" was hand-harvested and matured in French oak hogsheads (18 per cent new). Deep, bright ruby, with a fragrant, floral bouquet, it is mouthfilling, savoury and supple, with ripe cherry and spice flavours, seasoned with nutty oak, fresh acidity, good complexity and a very harmonious, lingering finish. Best drinking 2025+." April 2023 (**Michael Cooper, New Zealand Wines Buyers Guide**)

**95/100** ★★★★★ **5 stars** "Pristine with elegant complexity, the enticing bouquet shows ripe cherry, thyme, floral and roasted nut aromas with a hint of savoury mushroom nuance. The palate displays excellent weight and fine texture, wonderfully framed by elegantly infused tannins. Harmonious and beautifully layered with a persistent silky finish. At its best now to 2034." March 2023. (**Sam Kim** [www.wineorbit.com](http://www.wineorbit.com))

**18.5+/20** ★★★★★ **5 stars** "Deep, ruby-red, lighter on the rim. The nose is gently full, with aromas of cherry, raspberry, rosehip, herb and spice.

Medium-full bodied, richer on the palate with aromas of cherry, raspberry and a savoury edge, entwined with rosehip, wild thyme, liquorice, earth and black pepper. The wine is structured with a fine tannin framework, unfolding dark herbs and spice details with a dry, red-fruited background. Integrated, fine acidity carries a long, broody finish. This savoury Pinot Noir has a velvety mouthfeel with dark herb, earth and spice front and red-fruited support. Match with herb-crushed lamb and beef bourguignon over the next 6+ years. Cold-soaked for 5-7 days, natural yeasts fermented with 12% whole bunches, skin contact for an average of 26 days, aged in French oak hogsheads (18% new 300-litre barrels). 18.5+/20 pts (94 pts)" Apr 2023 (**Candice Chow, Raymond chanwinereviews.com**)

**94/100** "Mellow pinot noir with red cherry, fresh herbs, floral/violet notes and spicy oak flavours. Taut, refreshingly dry with a pleasing undercurrent of fruit/alcohol sweetness. Accessible now but should develop well with bottle age." May 2023 (**Bob Campbell MW, The Real Review**)

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**Sam Kim (Wine Orbit)**