

Misha's Vineyard 'Tempo' Pinot Noir 2021



93/100 $\not\Rightarrow$ $\not\Rightarrow$ $\not\Rightarrow$ "Sweetly ripe and immediately appealing, the wine shows ripe plum, floral, olive and subtle spice aromas on the nose, followed by a beautifully rounded palate delivering juicy fruit flavours with a lengthy silky finish. Friendly and gorgeously drinking. At its best: now to 2027."Sep 2022 (**Sam Kim, Wine Orbit**)

4.5 stars \not \not \not \not \not \not "Priced right, the debut 2021 vintage of this label replaces Impromptu as the winery's 'earlier maturing style'. Matured in seasoned French oak barrels, it is a full, bright ruby wine, fragrant, mouthfilling, sweet-fruited and savoury, with generous cherry, plum and spice flavours, gentle tannins and immediate appeal. Best drinking mid-2023+. Oct 2022 (Michael Cooper, Buyer's Guide to New Zealand Wines)

92/100 Premium "A youthful, bright and refreshing aromatic lift with scents of fresh Otago cherries and black currant, there's a mix of forest berries and fruit spice, a fine soft brown spice and simple mineral quality. Salivating, fruity, varietal and new with flavours that reflect the bouquet, some raspberry and cranberry flesh layer in along with a light dried herb quality. Tannins are fine and easily dissolved on the palate, acidity adds freshness and pizazz. Oak aromas and flavours are light, but still provide foundation and structure. Well made, still new with a light taut palate squeeze. Probably the perfect red wine for summer 2023, served cool would work as well as regular Pinot Noir service temp. Best drinking: 2023 - 2029." Aug 2022 "(Cameron Douglas MS, camdouglasms.com)

93/100 $\not\Rightarrow$ $\not\Rightarrow$ $\not\Rightarrow$ "A lovely savoury red with dried cherries and strawberries with fine tannins. Medium body. Slatey and finely chewy. Drink now or hold. Screw cap." Nov 22 (James Suckling, www.JamesSuckling.com)

92/100 $\not\Rightarrow$ $\not\Rightarrow$ "Attractively aromatic wine with reasonably intense plum, cherry/berry, violet and anise/spice flavours. Bright acidity gives energy and length. Rich, fleshy pinot noir with good weight and a fine, peppery texture. Offers good value at this price." Aug 2022 (**Bob Campbell MW, www.bobcampbell.nz**)

Excellent "Interesting nose playing another chord, fresh sawn oak, forest floor, tilled earth, fruit swelling, supporting the whole. The palate plies another course, powerfully fruited yet nicely dry, tannic backbone giving this structure, adding a spiced toffee touch. Bright acidity, youthfully intense, with a long fruit-filled lipsmacking finish. Excellent ingredient for the money." Sep 2022 (Mark Henderson, Otago Daily Times)

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* * * * * * Deep ruby-red with a purple hue, lighter on the rim. The nose is softly full, with bright aromas of blackberry, dark cherry and sweet spice. Medium-bodied, aromas of blackberry and dark cherry meld with vanilla, cinnamon and chocolate. Lively acidity enlivens the dark fruit and flows smoothly; supple tannins coat the palate in dark chocolate. This youthful Pinot Noir possesses straightforward fruit and line, decorated with spice and chocolatey tannin. Match with lamb koftas and roasted pork shoulder over the next 3-5 years. Fermented in open top fermenter with 27% whole bunches, cold soaked for 5-7 days, naturally fermented to 14% alc, 25 days on skins, racked to 300-litre French oak barrels for 9 months approx, 3% new oak. Inoculated MLF in barrels." Sep 2022 (Candice Chow, raymondchanwinereviews.co.nz)