



# Cellar Reserve Pinot Noir

## 2010

The Penfolds Cellar Reserve wines evolved from the mid 1990s as Penfolds experimented in the Magill Estate Cellars with small batches of wines from varieties and winemaking techniques not traditionally associated with Penfolds.

The Penfolds Cellar Reserve Pinot Noir style continues to evolve and the 2010 vintage is the fourteenth commercial release. Using a selection from high-altitude, cool-climate Adelaide Hills vineyards, a major winemaking objective remains to craft a wine that is both complex while young, and yet has the capacity to evolve and mature admirably.

This release was hand picked and the various parcels were cold-soaked for four days prior to a natural fermentation using 15% whole bunches. The base wines (no pressings included) remained on gross lees for nine months without SO2 in 36% new and 64% seasoned French oak barriques. After a very strict barrel cull the wine was then bottled unfinned and unfiltered.

***Many clones, many vineyards ... authentically handcrafted.***



VINEYARD REGION	Adelaide Hills
VINTAGE CONDITIONS	Winter and spring rainfall was above average, creating an excellent start to the season. Summer temperatures were warm but not extreme, allowing fruit to ripen evenly. Conditions leading up to and during harvest couldn't have been better and as a result the quality of wines for 2010 have been exceptional.
GRAPE VARIETY	Pinot Noir
MATURATION	This wine was matured in new and seasoned French oak for nine months.
WINE ANALYSIS	Alc/Vol: 14.5% Acidity: 6.3g/L pH: 3.63
LAST TASTED	May 2011
PEAK DRINKING	Now to 2016
FOOD MATCHES	Ideal with duck confit or rabbit and pork terrine.

COLOUR

NOSE

PALATE

Winemaker comments by  
**Peter Gago - Penfolds Chief Winemaker**

Bright garnet red.

A wet dough fragrance, lively aromatics - undeniably with an Adelaide Hills stamp of origin. Rhubarb, stewed apple & nectarine fruits interwoven with jasmine, clove, star anise & Asian spices.

Dimensionally- 'globular', fleshy/creamy with a sweet middle. Primary fruits prevail - raspberry, strawberry, cranberry. Delicate and layered, with fine tannins and shy oak (not smokey, charry - more spice, creaminess).

Less savoury than the Cellar Reserve Pinot Noir 2009.

Early days!