



CELLAR RESERVE ADELAIDE HILLS
PINOT NOIR

2013



“Quite different stylistically to the previous sixteen releases...similar sourcing, different vintage”

- Peter Gago, Penfolds Chief Winemaker

The Penfolds Cellar Reserve labels harness the spoils of special vineyards and micro sites, new varieties and innovative vinification practices. They are handcrafted, small batch wines crafted using techniques that enhance varietal definition and textural qualities.

The Penfolds Cellar Reserve Pinot Noir style continues to evolve and the 2013 vintage marks the seventeenth commercial release. In 2013 Penfolds winemakers have crafted an expression of Adelaide Hills Pinot Noir that is hand-picked, cold-soaked (25% whole-bunch), naturally fermented, utilises no pressings and is neither fined nor filtered.

PENFOLDS CHIEF WINEMAKER	Peter Gago
VINEYARD REGION	Adelaide Hills
GRAPE VARIETY	100% Pinot Noir
VINTAGE CONDITIONS	Winter rainfall for the Adelaide Hills was close to the long-term average; however spring was very dry, with little rainfall recorded. Flowering began in November with near-optimal climatic conditions prevailing. The growing season was warmer than usual, with occasional heat spikes, however cool nights provided the vines with much needed respite. The warm and dry conditions leading into harvest ensured there was minimal risk of disease. Overall quality for Pinot Noir was excellent.
WINE ANALYSIS	Alc/Vol: 14%, Acidity: 6.5g/L, pH: 3.66
LAST TASTED	21/01/14
PEAK DRINKING	Now – 2023
MATURATION	9 months in 100% new French oak barriques
COLOUR	Vibrant crimson, unfiltered
NOSE	Instantly Pinot Noir yet not simplistically so - an amalgam of many vineyards and many clones. Exotic musk and talc are followed by earthy dark cherry, capers, dill and Papaya. Youthful, yet awoken.
PALATE	Fleshy and fresh, replete with natural mouth-watering acidity, adding lift and liveliness. A sweet mid-palate of pink fruits is buffed by lees and tell-tale creaminess – adding textural appeal.

