

HARDYS

Hardys is one of Australia's oldest wineries, founded in Australia over 165 years ago. Thomas Hardy helped forge the Australian wine industry and was a true pioneer, entrepreneur and visionary. Today our winemakers continue to uphold the Hardys pioneering and visionary spirit, crafting quality wines for consumers to enjoy across the globe.

This long standing commitment to quality, backed by over 9000 medals, ensures that whatever bottle our consumers choose, they can be confident and certain that Hardys is their best choice

2022 Eileen Hardy Pinot Noir



EILEEN HARDY

Eileen Hardy was the Hardy family matriarch, an indomitable spirit and the first lady of Australian wine; her love of life still echoes through every Hardys wine and provides the inspiration to be the best. Winemakers select only the very best handpicked parcels of fruit from regions throughout Australia to carry the Eileen name. The inaugural 1970 Eileen Hardy Shiraz was released as a tribute to this great lady. Each vintage the winemakers select the very best parcels of Shiraz from McLaren Vale to carry the 'Eileen Hardy' label.

GRAPE VARIETY

Pinot Noir

COLOUR

Dark and Intense hues.

NOSE

Very powerful, complex mixture of blueberry fruit, cherries, spice, whole bunches and vanilla oak.

PALATE

Mirror image of bouquet, a core of dark fruit is the key, around this wine has superb length of flavour, fine, sweet fruit overlay, mineral acid drive and silky fine tannins, oak in the background playing a minor but positive role.

VINEYARD REGION

Tasmania, Yarra Valley

WINEMAKING

Eileen Hardy Pinot Noir looks to showcase the very best Pinot Australia has to offer, and this year is predominantly Tasmanian, with small contributions from the Yarra Valley. Gentle handling of the fruit and wine help to achieve this, while restrained winemaking assist in developing the complexity of the final blend. Several of the vineyards we source Pinot Noir from were planted for us at carefully selected sites, only fit for Eileen Hardy Pinot Noir when at full maturity. The Eileen Hardy Pinot Noir exemplifies this development and commitment to quality of the highest order. This wine follows on from the excellent 2021 Eileen Hardy Pinot Noir, which won best red wine of show at the 2022 Royal Sydney Wine Show.

VINTAGE CONDITIONS

2022 in Tasmania was again one of many challenges, with each of the sub regions behaving even more differently from each other than usual. The Derwent and Coal River Valleys both experienced relatively cool and slow ripening seasons, producing excellent quality fruit that arrived very late in the season, picked at relatively high Baumes to manage the acid retention. The Yarra Valley produced very low yields due to heavy rain and hail during flowering. Significant labour was required to keep canopies open, which was rewarded with a low yielding but high quality vintage.

WINE ANALYSIS

Alc/Vol: 14.1%
Acidity (TA): 5.9g/L
pH: 3.47

PEAK DRINKING

5-10 years

FOOD MATCH

Seared venison with native pepperberry

WINEMAKER

Samuel Milne

