ATTWOODS Glerlyon Estate 2020 PINOT NOIR ATTWOODS

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Attwoods 2020 Glenlyon Pinot Noir

Winemaker: Troy Walsh

Grape(s): Pinot Noir

GI: Macedon Ranges

Site(s): Glenlyon Vineyard

Vintage notes: Good spring with rain, not too windy and no frost. A cool summer led to a long ripening season with harvest starting for in mid April for the pinot noir. Yields were good and the sugars and pH "right in the zone," according to Troy.

Vineyard notes: Attwoods took over management of Glenlyon Estate, on the outskirts of the Macedon Ranges, in 2019, with their first harvest of premium fruit in 2020. A perfect site for cool climate winemaking, these 23-year-old pinot noir and chardonnay vines at Glenlyon span 5 acres, at an altitude of 500m, with quartz, basalt, clay soils. Low yielding, small quantities of fruit naturally high in acid come off this site.

Winemaking: Grapes are hand-picked and fermented with native yeast in large (1 and 2 ton), open oak fermenters. 50% whole bunch. Aged in barrique (1/3 new) for 18 months, then another year in bottle before release. Only add is a small amount of sulfur.

Closure: DIAM

ABV: 13%

LEGEND tasting notes: Wild black cherry, Davidson plum (a tart native plum), smoked mountain pepper, and crushed clove combine for elegant and complex aromatics. The palate is powerful and acid driven, but with a layer of supple fruit and well-integrated oakand stem-derived texture. This wine will age well for years and continue to develop nuance and interest.

Production size: 325 dozen