



MOORILLA

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Moorilla 2017 Muse Pinot Noir

Winemaker: Conor Van Der Reest

Grape(s): Pinot Noir

GI: Tasmania

Site(s): Moorilla Vineyard

Vintage notes: Vintage in 2017 was typical of Tasmanian weather: cool and dry; then warm and humid, and then cold and dry. It was also the longest vintage in ten years, as it was a quite cool year overall, so fruit intensity and acid profiles are distinctive.

Vineyard notes: Moorilla's southern vineyard shares the same site as MONA (the Museum of Old and New Art), located in Berriedale, just north of Hobart. The vineyard sits just one metre above sea level. The steady breezes along the River Derwent (timtumili minanya), which hugs the site, help reduce the risk of frosts and fungal diseases. The vines are kept cool, facilitating a long ripening process for the vines and greater flavor complexity in the fruit. Wines from this vineyard tend to be less fruit-driven and more complex than those from St Matthias. The site is characterized by its soil complexity. A risen siltstone bedrock supports a soil profile that ranges from silty clay (up to four metres deep) to shallow stretches of sand (just three centimeters deep). This creates huge differences in vine size and vigour, and the fruit ripens differently throughout the vineyard. Moorilla's soil diversity also impacts the size of each yield and demands tailored harvesting times—sometimes as much as three weeks apart.

Winemaking: Hand-picked and fermented with native yeast, then aged in 500L oak puncheons (16% new). 20% whole berry fermentation with 10% carbonic maceration.

Closure: Stelvin

ABV: 13%

LEGEND tasting notes: A rich, heady nose of rhubarb, plums, truffle mushroom and cinnamon brings a caramelised tart to mind, before a silken palate unfurls, awash with strawberry, cocoa, Davidson plum (a tart native plum), and anise myrtle. Structure is velvety, with some light white-pepper suggestions of oak throughout. A case for the greatness of Derwent pinot noir.

Production size: 757