

The story of the wine... LETHBRIDGE



2014 Lethbridge Pinot Noir

The Story: Wine Scribes are always talking about balance as foundation of all fine wine. What do they mean? For me wine is in balance when its diverse components, Fruit, aromatics, acidity, tannin and alcohol can coexist such that no single aspect overpowers or diminishes the nature of the wine as a whole.

The genius of Pinot Noir is found in subtlety, in its ability to marry power with poise, structure with finesse. Therefore, wines made from perhaps this most expressive varietal should always have the principle of balance as paramount. At Lethbridge our Pinot Noirs are no shrinking violets. They abound with power; both in fruit density and tannin yet are juxtaposed with lifted aromatics and long acid backbone.

Review: "Lethbridge puts the back label on the front label, so to speak, with lengthy notes scrawled front and centre. The note on the front label of this release starts with the words "Wine scribes are always talking about ..." Now that had me adjusting my glasses for a closer read, I tell you. Meaty spice, floral aromatics, runs of cranberry and black cherry, a shot of kirsch. There's prettiness here, there's power, there's plenty of information to decode. A good option for those looking for a bit more substance in their pinot noir."

91 points, Campbell Mattinson, The Wine Front

Vintage:	2014
Other vintages:	1999-2013
Grape variety:	Pinot Noir
Vineyards:	Sweetland, Hat Rock, Suma Park, Hillside
Bottled:	February 2015
Alcohol:	14%
Cellar potential:	3+ Years
Cellar door prices:	\$45