



LETHBRIDGE

The story of the wine...



2021 Lethbridge 'Hat Rock' Pinot Noir

The Story: In Pinot Noir's original home, certain vineyards have been recognized as growing exceptional fruit and have been elevated to "premier cru" or "grand cru" status. In Australia we still have a lot to learn about the best sites to grow Pinot Noir.

After working with Pinot Noir in Geelong for the past 24 years and the Hat Rock vineyard for the past 13 years, it became clear to me we had something special. Here the clay soils nourish vines that consistently produce bunches of small berries with great concentration and flavour and the wines have consistently shown a level of quality and distinctive character, leading to our decision to showcase this site in a single vineyard bottling.

The Wine: This was indigenous yeast fermented over three weeks with 50% whole bunches. The wine was then aged in 50% new French oak for 11 months

Mineral with pure, black cherries, incense and floral notes Structured and savoury on the palate, this tightly wound wine feels, at the moment, as if it's carved out of stone. Patience will definitely be rewarded, and I'd love to see this eight to 10 years from now" **96 Points** - Halliday

Vintage:	2021
Grape variety:	Pinot Noir
Vineyards:	Hat Rock - Bellarine Peninsula
Bottled:	February 2022
Alcohol:	13.0%
Cellar potential:	12+ Years
Retail Price:	\$58