

ASTROLABE MARLBOROUGH PINOT NOIR

2015 Vintage

“Youthful and intensely fruity bouquet loaded with ripe dark cherry fruits with a mangosteen, plum and dark raspberry suggestion; plenty of vanilla and lightly toasted oak layer, concentrated and inviting overall. On the palate – harming, engaging, fruity and dry; fruit flavours reflect the palate; medium+ acidity and tannins with fine textures and silky moments; great balance and length. Drink now if decanted. Best drinking from 2019 through 2026.”

93/100 - Cameron Douglas

Master Sommelier

April, 2017

“Fresh, smooth and bright with elegant, ripe berry fruit; juicy, dense and complex; long, deep and balanced.”

93/100 - Anthony Dias Blue

Tasting Panel Magazine

June, 2017

“Fleshy pinot noir with good weight and ripe plum, dark berry and smoky oak flavours. The wine has a pleasing texture and a lengthy finish. Accessible now but with some cellaring potential”

92/100 - Bob Campbell

Master of Wine

July 13th, 2017

“Quite a bold, rich and concentrated style of Marlborough pinot that has a rich, darker, cherry-focused nose. The palate is full of flavor and nicely formed tannins that are smooth and fleshy. Drink now.”

91/100 - James Suckling

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March 29th, 2017

2014 Vintage

“Elegant and plush, with fresh cherry flavors that are supple and smooth, accented by hints of cream soda and red licorice. Offers bright acidity and lingering clove nuances. Drink now through 2026.”

92/100 - MaryAnn Worobiec

Wine Spectator

August 16, 2016

“Silky and smooth with tangy juicy black cherry and racy acidity; fresh and bright with depth, spice and finesse.”

92/100 - Anthony Dias Blue

Tasting Panel Magazine

April/May, 2016

“This has plenty of interest and textural detail with an attractive grain to the tannin texture. Plenty of baking spices and a hint of pepper on the nose. It's really succulent. Drink now.”

92/100 - James Suckling

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March 28th, 2017

“A cool note of menthol sits atop the otherwise spicy dark pinot fruit aromas that lead to rounded, supple and seductively textured middle weight flavors that possess good richness while delivering fine persistence on the sappy finale that carries its alcohol with almost no trace of warmth. While this well-made effort might reward a few years of cellaring it's already so good that it could be enjoyed now.”

91/100 - Allen Meadows

Burghound

October 8th, 2016

“This medium-bodied wine successfully blends several disparate notes into a harmonious whole. Hints of just-turned earth, cola, root vegetables, clove and fresh greens join on the nose, while the palate adds fruitier overtones of red cherries and berries. The tannins are silky, the acids vibrant.”

90/100 - Joe Czerwinski

Wine Enthusiast

July 1st, 2016

“The spice of oak introduces this meaty pinot noir, fleshed out by strawberry richness and black-plum-skin tannins. This feels concentrated, needing six months to a year for the tannins to integrate..”

90/100 - Joshua Greene

Wine & Spirits Magazine

October, 2017

