

2018 VINTAGE



RANGE

94 POINTS "OUTSTANDING"

"I really like the bouquet of this wine - it is pure, fresh, floral and varietal with aromas of sweet rose, red cherry, plum, some baking spices of oakbarrel and a scents of crushed stone minerality. On the palate – soft, silky, charming and elegant. Flavours reflect the bouquet with even more intensity – cherry, plum, red apple skin. Fine chalky tannins and a lovely top line of acidity all accentuated by barrel spice and mineral qualities. Balanced and well made, drinking nicely today and through 2024." MAR 20

Cameron Douglas, Master Sommelier camdouglasms.com



4 STARS "EXCELLENT"

"The elegant, youthful 2018 vintage is a regional blend, grown from the Waihopai valley to the Kekerengu Coast. Matured for 10 months in French oak barriques (25 per cent new), it is bright ruby, scented and supple, with vibrant cherry, plum and spice flavours, showing very good depth, savoury notes adding complexity, and a fresh, finely polished finish, " 2021 Edition

Michael Cooper

New Zealand Wines: Michael Cooper's Buyer's Guide



91 POINTS "HIGH QUALITY"

"Mainly Southern Valley with some Kekerengu grapes. Fresh, silkentextured pinot noir with raspberry, mineral, saline, floral and subtle savoury characters. A seamless wine with appealing purity. Drink 2021 to 2024." MAY 21

Bob Campbell, Master of Wine The Real Review

2017 VINTAGE



95 POINTS "OUTSTANDING"

"A fruity pinot noir with aromas of cherries, cranberries and sweet spices. Some smoke, too. Medium body with fresh acidity. Juicy and lively with lots of red fruit on the palate and a supple finish. Sheer and long. Drink now." OCT 21

James Suckling JamesSuckling.com



90 POINTS "OUTSTANDING"

"The 2017 vintage was grown in the Southern"A savory and elegant Pinot Noir that fills the mouth with cool, elegant fruit. Hailing predominantly from the richer soils of the region's Southern Valleys, this midweight example has some additional substance, and the tannins envelop the mouth with a fine-grained texture. The finish bursts with freshness and is redolent of damson, raspberries, woodsmoke and spice. Drinking well now; this is a short- to mediumterm drinker that will evolve but not necessarily improve further. Drinking window 2021 - 2024." MAR 21 -Rebecca Gibb, Master of Wine Vinous



90 POINTS

"Initially this was quite firmly reduced though 15 minutes of air helped considerably even if it didn't dissipate completely. There is by contrast good verve and freshness to the concentrated, fleshy and mouth coating flavors that conclude in a dusty and moderately robust finale that delivers fine depth and persistence. We will see in time if the reduction disappears but even if it doesn't, this still offers enough interesting qualities to be attractive. 90/2024+." OCT 20

Allen Meadows burghound.com

MARLBOROUGH PINOT NOIR

2017 CONTINUED



95 POINTS "OUTSTANDING"

"Dark cherry, savoury, crumbled stone and dark spices of toasty French oak, complex and intriguing bouquet. Vibrant, fruity, dry, savoury and complex on the palate with flavours of dark berries and plums, firm tannins and vibrant acid line. Delicious, mouthwatering, savoury and varietal. A wine for the cellar, but also ready for drinking from 2022 through 2028+." SEP 21

Cameron Douglas, Master Sommelier World of Wine

