

New Zealand Wines

Valli Gibbston Vineyard Pinot Noir 2019 Awarded "Super Classic" Status

The stylish 2019 vintage (5*) was hand-picked, matured in French oak barriques (30 per cent new), and bottled unfiltered and unfiltered. Bright ruby, it is mouthfilling and supple, with vibrant cherry, plum and spice flavours, a hint of herbs, fresh acidity, nutty, savoury notes adding complexity and an inviting fragrance. A very graceful, youthful red, it's well worth cellaring to 2022+.

Valli Bannockburn Vineyard Pinot Noir 2019 Awarded "Classic" Status

The delicious 2019 vintage (5*) was hand-harvested, matured in French oak barriques (30 per cent new), and bottled unfiltered and unfiltered. Fragrant and full-bodied, it is notably refined and harmonious, with concentrated, vibrant, well-ripened cherry, plum and spice flavours, complex, savoury and supple. A very 'complete' wine, it should be at its best 2023+.

Valli Bendigo Vineyard Pinot Noir 2019 Awarded "Classic" Status

The powerful, rich, sweet-fruited 2019 vintage (5*) was hand-picked, matured in French oak barriques (30 per cent new), and bottled unfiltered and unfiltered. Deep ruby, it is extremely youthful, with a strong surge of vibrant, plummy, spicy flavours, a hint of liquorice, fresh acidity, and good tannin backbone. Best drinking 2023+.

Valli Waitaki Vineyard Pinot Noir 2019

The highly fragrant 2019 vintage (4.5*) was hand-harvested, matured in French oak barriques (25 per cent new), and bottled unfiltered and unfiltered. Bright ruby, it is a stylish, youthful red, with good density of vibrant cherry, spice and herb flavours, a hint of tamarillo, fresh acidity, and supple tannins. A vigorous, complex red, it's well worth cellaring to 2023+.

Valli Burn Cottage Vineyard Pinot Noir 2019 Awarded "Super Classic" Status

The 2019 vintage (5*) is part of a collaboration between Valli and Burn Cottage, involving access to each other's grapes to explore key aspects of terroir. From vines planted in 2008 near Lowburn, it was matured in French oak barriques (20 per cent new), and bottled unfiltered and unfiltered. Bright ruby, with a fragrant, slightly earthy bouquet, it is very fresh and youthful, with strong cherry, plum and spice flavours, lively acidity, savoury notes adding complexity, and supple tannins. It needs time; open 2022+.

Valli Gibbston Vineyard Pinot Gris 2019

Still unfolding, the 2019 vintage (4.5*) was estate-grown, hand-picked and handled without oak. Bright, light lemon/green, it is a refined, very youthful wine with vibrant, citrusy, slightly apple and peachy flavours, fresh acidity, and a long, dry (3 grams/litre of residual sugar) finish. Best drinking 2022+.