



## **Rochford 'L'Enfant Unique' Pinot Noir 2016 (50% whole bunch)**

**Varieties:** 100% Pinot Noir

### **Winemaker Tasting Notes:**

Good colour. Rich, aromatic nose that is quite open for a wine so young. Chinese five spice, red and blue fruits and earth are in abundance. Good fresh acidity, medium weight palate that is both vibrant and long. Ripe with good grip and tannin which seems to be a trait of the 2016 Yarra Valley Pinot Noirs. Still so young and will benefit from twelve months in the cellar before coming together. A wine that will age well for at least a decade if not longer.

### **Viticulture Notes:**

Our Hill Road vineyard and winery is located at Coldstream, 40kms east of Melbourne in Victoria's oldest grape growing region, the Yarra Valley. Grown on ancient, mountain derived sandy clay loams, these rocky soils combined with our forty year-old vines are at the heart of this wine.

2016 will be remembered as one of the warmest and earliest harvests on record. Above average yields and early ripening kept winemakers busy, highlighting the importance of time spent in the vineyard.

**Harvest:** Hand-picked 13<sup>th</sup> February

**Vinification:** De-stemmed to open fermenters (50% whole bunch), short cold soak, natural primary and malolactic fermentation, 26 days on skins, pressed to French barrels (15% new)

**Elevage:** 10 months in oak, racked off lees just prior to bottling. Unfined and unfiltered.

### **Technical Data:**

Alcohol 12.9%  
Vegan Wine