



2024 OLD VINE PINOT MEUNIER

The Millers Burgundy vineyard, first planted in 1868, is made up of mostly Pinot Meunier and a little Pinot Noir. This unique vineyard block is treated with meticulous care and in good vintages this block is made into a 'single vineyard' wine.

The Best's Old Vine Pinot Meunier is the ultimate wine that speaks of place, and it has a cult following, particularly in the wine community and the trade where people understand how rare this varietal planting is.

Technical Details

Growing Region Great Western, Victoria

Grape Variety Pinot Meunier

Pick date: 29/02/2024 **Bottle date:** 20/12/2024

Alcohol 12.5%

Winemaker Jacob Parton & Dominic Bolton

Winemaking The grapes are hand-picked, hand-sorted, and fermented in small open-top fermenters with 25% whole bunch. Wine was left on skins for up to 12 days, basket pressed, then matured in French oak barriques for 9 months, in 2-5 year old oak.

Tasting Notes

Colour Bright Ruby red.

Bouquet Bunchy blue fruits which give hints of cherry cola, rose petal, and with nice charry oak.

Palate Light-medium bodied wine complex fruit notes of blueberries, squeezed raspberry, red cherry and strawberry. Blood orange, and orange rind carry to a mid-palate of dried herb and melting tannins. This wine has dense berry flavours, layers of complexity, and great balance of maintaining freshness and drive.

This wine is still a baby – drinkable now but will age for many years to come, only getting better. Best paired with creamy cheese and cured meats. Enjoy with a charcuterie board.

Vintage Vintage 2024 began with a very wet spring. Rain and cool temperatures were the theme up until Christmas. The rain slowed down in January and was followed by very warm weather across February. A warmer end to summer promoted intense red berry characters and volume of flavour.



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Halliday Wine Companion – 100 new Tasting notes – Winter 2025 – Jeni Port

‘Off 2 blocks from original plantings in 1868. The original and still the best, old vines bring such complexity and depth to this wine. Fragrant in cranberry, red cherry and wild strawberry fruits that meld with dried herbs, rosehip and musk. Medium bodied, it offers upbeat cherry-led flavours that are bright and brisk across the palate with background herbals and a note of red licorice. Sinewy, fine tannins provide both juiciness and a sense of elegance.’ 12.5% *Rating: 95 points*

James Suckling March 2025

‘This is an outstanding bottling from the oldest Pinot Meunier producing vines in the world. It is perfumed and lifted, featuring aromas of red and purple fruits, subtle hints of raspberry bush, spice, lead pencil and underlying earthy tone. The palate is medium-bodied, with silky tannins, bright acidity and a persistent length that offers both power and restraint. Magical, unique, yet so classic’. Drink now or hold. Screw cap. Rating 98 points