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SONGLINES

2012 Tasmanian Pinot Noir

- Alc/Vol:** 13.0%
- Colour:** Crimson red with purple hues.
- Bouquet:** Sweet aromas of strawberry and black forest fruits with hints of savoury oak.
- Palate:** The palate is initially very soft and rich; there are some fresh strawberry and raspberry fruits, and hints of mocha and forest floor. The mid palate is fresh and juicy, and then the depth and structure of the older vine fruit kicks in with the characteristic silky Pinot tannin and the wine finishes with bursts of sweet dark fruit with great length.
- Winemaking:** A mild spring, warm summer and a long cool autumn allowed a natural balance which made the 2012 vintage in comparison to the 2011 vintage a breeze, ideal for steady ripening and flavour development. Whole bunch fermentation took place in a selection of small open top fermenters, enabling parcels of fruit from the vineyards and growers to be kept separate and express their vineyard origins. After fermentation and maceration the wines were racked into a mixture of French barriques, 30% new with balance 1-3 years old. After natural malolactic fermentation, the wines were matured for 12 months before final barrel selection, blending and bottling.
- Cellaring:** Whilst it is made to be enjoyed young, this wine will happily lie down for up to five years.

