

REVIEWS & ACCOLADES

2017 Piccadilly Valley

Pinot Noir

ASHTON HILLS VINEYARD



Wine Companion Magazine, 100 New Tasting Notes - APR/MAY 2019

92 POINTS

"Primarily estate-grown, complemented by small parcels from a few Piccadilly Valley growers, matured for 12 months in used French oak. Shows the benefit of the cool, dry vintage with its array of forest fruits and finely crafted tannins, oak largely a bystander. It's not a powerful pinot, but its very precise, and the balance is impeccable."

The Wine Front, Campbell Mattinson - JUN 2018

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"Grown on both the Ashton Hills estate vineyard and on two nearby vineyards in the Adelaide Hills. Exquisite part of the world it is too. Vastly under-valued as a touring area. There's a semblance of warmth but from there it's pure Ashton Hills. Macerated cherries, a gentle sweet-sourness, oodles of spice, florals and a foresty/minty note. A general meatiness too. It has life, character and charm, and more than a little firmness to boot. Warmth is the only distraction."

In Daily, Philip White - MAY 2018

"...From the first waft, this is almost disgusting in its visceral sensuality. This is the sensation most of the most-obsessed Pinot perves dream of, but rarely get to feel. There's just a cheeky tickle of the spice of old French oak, but mainly this bouquet is silk-smooth, musky, fresh-washed flesh. It is not what mortal humans expect of grapes ... To drink, it's so bare-faced matter-of-fact that you might just as well undress. You don't want food. You'll want another bottle. Don't fall in the glass."

