By Farr

The By Farr Sangreal Geelong Pinot Noir is an exquisite wine from the oldest vineyard at By Farr. Planted in 1994, the Sangreal vineyard consistently produces wines that are seductive, perfumed, and seamlessly balanced.

Alcohol :14,00 %

Composition: 100% Pinot Noir

Sangreal Geelong Pinot Noir 2021

Victoria, Australia

Region and Vineyards

The Sangreal vineyard is located on a **north-facing slope** and is characterized by **bluestone and overlaying limestone**, with red ironstone coloring the surface. This unique soil composition differs from other By Farr vineyards, which are primarily black volcanic soil with heavy limestone on the surface.

The **vine rows run north-south**, receiving full sun exposure throughout the day, which contributes to the wine's perfumed and attractive qualities.

The vineyard is typically the first to be harvested each season. The clones used in Sangreal are 114 and 115, which have mutated over time to become the distinct **'Sangreal clone'**, thriving in its own microclimate.

Winemaking

The vinification process for By Farr Sangreal Geelong Pinot Noir involves careful attention to detail to preserve the wine's natural flavors and bouquet. **70% of the fruit is whole bunch fermented** and aged in 70% new oak. The wine is fermented in a five-tonne oak barrel with an open-top fermenter, cold-soaked for four days, followed by a **natural fermentation** lasting seven to nine days.

After fermentation, the wine is pressed once the cap falls, racked only once after malolactic fermentation, then sulfured and bottled after a total of **18 months**. The wine is **unfined and unfiltered** to retain its natural essence.

Tasting Notes

- **Color**: Deep ruby red with brilliant clarity.
- **Aroma**: Seductive and highly perfumed, with a seamless balance of red fruits, whole bunch fermentation aromas, and integrated oak.
- **Palate**: Smooth and well-balanced, with moreish qualities that make it incredibly drinkable. The wine exhibits a beautiful interweaving of site and vintage characteristics, with a long, elegant finish.

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By Farr is a family-owned winery renowned for its dedication to producing high-quality wines. The Sangreal vineyard's consistent performance, even in difficult vintages, highlights its importance as the backbone of By Farr wines.

Wine Pairing Ideas

- **Duck à l'Orange**: The rich and slightly sweet flavors of duck à l'orange complement the perfumed and fruity notes of the Sangreal Pinot Noir, enhancing both the dish and the wine.
- **Wild Mushroom Tart**: The earthy flavors of wild mushrooms paired with a flaky tart crust bring out the seamless balance and complexity of the wine.
- **Venison Carpaccio with Truffle Oil**: The delicate and gamey flavors of venison carpaccio, accented with truffle oil, match beautifully with the wine's seductive aromas and elegant palate.
- **Beetroot and Burrata Salad**: The sweetness of roasted beetroot and the creamy texture of burrata highlight the wine's red fruit notes and smooth finish.

James Suckling (JS) : 95 Points (2018)

This has a complex and intense red-cherry nose with some sappy elements, as well as blueberries and violets, forest wood and undergrowth. The palate holds good depth and has bold, ripe red cherries that fill the mouth and are wrapped in smoothly curated tannin. Long and satisfyingly rich. Drink or hold.

Robert Parker (RP) : 94 Points (2018)

Boasting knockout aromas of herbal, floral, tea-like stems, sous bois, smoked meat and black cherries, the 2018 Sangreal Pinot Noir is a treat just to smell. On the palate, it's medium-bodied and silky textured, smooth and polished in feel, showing ample concentration and length on the finish, which adds hints of orange zest, cranberries and exotic spice. Complex, mouthwatering and elegant, it's a beauty to drink now and over the next 7-8 years.

Wine Spectator (WS) : 97 Points (2014)

Clones 114 and 115 planted '94, believed to have mutated into a single 'Sangreal' clone. Always made with 50-70% whole bunches, and 60-70% new oak maturation for 18 months. Typical bright, deep hue; the bouquet exudes flowers (roses, violets), spices and a throbbing heartbeat of gently savoury dark fruits; the palate magically twists all these characters into a single silver-coated stream of red and blue fruits, the tannins no more than background haze, oak a slender frame. A gorgeous pinot of the highest category.