

MCCRONE PINOT NOIR 2014

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Nick Stock, November 2017

97 Points

A powerful pinot with deep-set darker cherry and plum fruits, sappy and spicy fresh forest aromas. Pomegranate and ripe dark-fleshed peaches add plenty of interest. The palate has a deep, luscious and spicy feel to it with plenty of rich and ripe cherry fruits on offer. This carries a bold ball of tannins in a polished but dense mode. Drink now and for several years to come.

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Bob Campbell MW, June 2018

5 Stars & 96 Points

The sixth release from Ata Rangi's McCrone Vineyard. Quite a dense, savoury pinot noir with cherry, berry, dried herb, stemmy, floral, violet, mixed spice and anise flavours. It makes a bold statement. A firmly-structured wine with obvious cellaring potential. Drink 2018 to 2023.

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Raymond Chan, October 2017

5 Stars & 19.0- / 20 Points

Dark, deep ruby-red colour. The bouquet is intensely deep with complex secondary notes, the nose showing bold, savoury dark red berry fruits with dried herbs, whole bunch stalk lift and nuances of undergrowth. Full-bodied on palate, this has weight and power, with depth and concentration. The fruit is sweetly rich with savoury dark-red berry, cherry and plum notes with dark and dried herbs, stalk elements, and nuances of game and undergrowth. The extraction and structure is considerable, and the acidity balanced and integrated. A fulsome and complex wine already. The fifth release of this single site label. Clones Abel, 5, 116 and 777, fermented with 30% whole bunches to 13.5% alc., the wine aged 11 months in 20% new French oak barriques.