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# Stoney Vineyard by Domaine A

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## 2010 Stoney Vineyard Pinot Noir



Pinot Noir is described by Andrew Jefford as “...the poet among grape varieties.” It is a wine of many facets and comes in all different styles. The Pinot Noir from Stoney Vineyard is always a wine of great intensity and depth of flavour.

Pinot Noir is the principal grape in Burgundy, and in Tasmania, sitting at 40% of the states production in 2009. Many consider Tasmania as Australia’s premier Pinot Noir growing region. This variety enjoys a long growing season and minimal irrigation.

A small 2 hectare plot of Pinot Noir sits on the highest part of Stoney Vineyard on Jurassiac dolerite with underlying limestone. These low yielding vines produce around one bottle for every two vines. The berries are small, which results in a high skin to juice ratio.

### Colour

Ruby red.

### Aroma

Raspberry, cherry, spice.

### Palate

Raspberry, blueberry, strawberry. Savory notes of spice, sage and subtle menthol characters. The finish is long with fine tannins and soft oak.

**Alcohol**      **13.5%**

**pH**              **3.55**

**Total Acid**    **5.6**

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Stoney Vineyard is situated in the Coal River Valley, twenty minutes north of Hobart and enjoys a temperate maritime climate with low annual rainfall and long warm days. Each wine is a true reflection of the relationship between the soil, vine, climate and the wine maker and we hope that it gives you as much pleasure to drink as it did for us to make.

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