

HIGH ALTITUDE
PHILIP SHAW
COOL CLIMATE

THE WIRE WALKER PINOT NOIR 2019

ORANGE

The Wire Walker masters the skill of balance. Each year we walk the wire with our Pinot Noir. Knowing how to react to the elements and when to make that next step. We take measure and precision to craft a wine of balance and poise.

Growing Season 2019:

In 2019 we experienced dry winters on the back of a dry 2018. Spring was warm with little rain, setting us up for another compressed harvest. In the vineyard focus was to ensure vines evaded the effects of heat stress; loose canopies to allow shading and judicious watering where possible. Due to the lack of rain throughout the season we experienced lower than normal crops, however quality was ensuring with small berried and intensity of flavor across the board.

Winemaking:

- Harvested in the cool of the night
- Hand sorted
- Whole berry fermentation in open vats
- Gentle cap management with plunging and pump overs
- Pressed at dryness to 80% older French oak
- Maturation on fine lees
- Natural malolactic fermentation in spring

Tasting notes:

The Wire walker is garnet red in colour. Perfumed and fragrant berry fruits on the nose. A plush palate with depth of fruit and savoury spice. Sumptuous fruit framed by elegant supple tannins.



Bottled: September 2019 **Alcohol % v/v:** 12.8