



## Elephant In The Room Pinot Noir 2020

<b>Grape Variety:</b>	<b>100% Pinot Noir</b>
<b>Region:</b>	<b>South Australia</b>
<b>Winemaker:</b>	<b>Corey Ryan</b>
<b>Closure:</b>	<b>Screwcap</b>
<b>Alcohol:</b>	<b>14%</b>

**Summary:** The Elephant in the Room wines are proudly large in scale and expansive in flavour. Ignoring fashion and braving the scorn of the “wine thought police” Elephant in the Room was created to give consumers exactly what they want – full bodied and mouth-filling wines that deliver maximum pleasure. Each wine is sourced from slow-ripening vineyards in South Australia and partially matured in French oak before final blending and bottling by Corey Ryan.

**Winemaking:** Partially hand before de-stemming and fermentation in a combination of two tonne open fermenters with ten percent whole bunch and twice daily hand plunging and larger closed fermenters with pump overs., All components blended post fermentation before three quarters were matured in stainless steel and one quarter was matured in French oak for four months before bottling with minimal fining, filtration and sulphur addition.

**Vintage 2020:** 2020 had its challenges with a dry start and only a small portion of rain and with much of the country suffering drought conditions. The warm dry spell continued in December with some extreme hot temperature days recorded. Thankfully due to one of the coolest January’s on record the vines were able to re-address the balance. It was a late ripening year and yields were down but despite the challenges it will be another excellent vintage across South Australia.

**Tasting Note:** Medium red in colour with vibrant aromas of dark plums, cherry and hints of forest floor. The palate is fruit-driven with a core of supple red berry and cherry flavours highlighted by a spicy complexity. Bright acidity and fine tannins provide definition to the long finish. Perfect with duck or mushroom risotto.

