

# abel's tempest tasmania

by heemskerk

## pinot noir 2015

Through the violent tempests that raged around the coast of Tasmania, Dutchman Abel Tasman navigated his flagship, the Heemskerk, finally sighting the island's west coast in 1642. Many of Tasman's attempts were thwarted by these huge winds which, while frustrating Tasman, are integral to creating the cool climate that Tasmania's vineyards thrive in.

This pinot noir embodies the purity of Tasmania's fruit. Bright cherry red with a fresh, floral nose, this highly aromatic wine is supported by a soft and supple palate with delicate French oak character.



### Peter Munro **winemaker comments**

**vintage conditions:** 2015 was a traditionally cooler vintage for Tasmania, that allowed ripening to occur at a steady even pace. These conditions resulted in balanced and elegant structured wines, with distinctive varietal expression.

**grape variety:** Pinot Noir.

**maturations:** 7 months in seasoned and new French Oak (32% new).

**colour:** Vibrant cherry red.

**nose:** Primary fruits dominate the nose with aromas of sour cherry and red current, all complimented by a background line of whole bunch spice.

**palate:** Medium bodied, textural and plush. Fruit driven with overwhelming red fruit flavours supported and balanced with subtle French oak.

**VINEYARD REGION:** Tasmania

**HARVEST DATE:** March/April 2015

### **WINE ANALYSIS:**

Alc/Vol: 13.0%

Acidity: 5.5g/L, pH: 3.60

Residual Sugar: 0.3g/L

**BOTTLING DATE:** Jan 2016

**PEAK DRINKING:** 2016 to 2020

**bottling date:** May 2015

**peak drinking:** Until 2020