

## SHAW + SMITH



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Beginnings: Established by winemaker Martin Shaw and Master of Wine Michael Hill Smith in 1989.

Winemakers: Adam Wadewitz and Martin Shaw.

Vision: To make exciting, refined wines exclusively from the Adelaide Hills that reflect our sites and climate.

Vineyards: Shaw + Smith own three vineyards in the Adelaide Hills, at Balhannah, Lenswood, and Piccadilly totalling 59 ha. The vineyards are planted to varieties that perform particularly well in the region, namely Sauvignon Blanc, Chardonnay, Pinot Noir, and Shiraz.

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## 2021 Pinot Noir

Style: Complex, aromatic, medium bodied with deceptive power, silky tannins and long term ageing potential. The 2021 shows black cherry, darker fruits, underlying gamey aromas with great flavour and length.

Season: The growing season for the 2021 vintage was terrific, a joy after the traumas of 2020. Soaking winter rains gave us plenty of moisture in the soil, and that flowed into healthy crops. The summer was mild, with slow ripening giving the grapes lots of flavour and intensity.

Source: Predominantly from our Lenswood Vineyard, at 455–500 metres elevation. Undulating with east and west facing aspects, the soils are brown loams over clay with broken shale on the ridges. The vineyard was planted in 1999.

Vinification: Hand picked and sorted. Combination of whole berry and whole bunch (20%) fermentation. Fifteen days on skins. Matured in French oak, majority puncheons.

Background: Older vines, the Lenswood Vineyard, sorting tables, small batch open fermenters, or just more insight in the capricious nature of Pinot Noir. Whatever the reason, we think our Shaw + Smith Pinot Noir continues to get better and better. Our first release was in 2007.

Serve: Enjoy in a large red wine glass, with some charcuterie. Ideal temperature is 16-18°C.

Cellar potential: Now until 2027.