

**Le Clos Jordanne****2004 Pinot Noir, Claystone Terrace
(Twenty Mile Bench)**

Another Single Vineyard Pinot from Le Clos Jordanne, the Claystone Terrace was the favourite of mine and many other members of the wine media who attended the official winery launch in the fall of 2006.

Vineyard Manager and Winemaker [Thomas Bachelder](#) must have noticed something about this terroir to consider it separately, and several tastings have proven him correct. This site seems to produce the most ethereal aromatics of all the Le Clos Jordanne Pinots, with a very pretty, floral character, loads of cherry fruit, and – for me and at least one other taster during the last

opportunity I had with these wines – a pleasant, old world, soft cheese lactic note. "Like St. Andre," we agreed. Cheese puffs, anyone?

Claystone is very Burgundian on the palate: refined, elegant, with fresh acidity, good fruit, and balance. Overall it is simply an excellent wine.

Reviewed May 17, 2007 by [Craig Pinhey](#).

THE WINE

Winery: [Le Clos Jordanne](#)

Vineyard: Claystone Terrace

Vintage: 2004

Wine: Pinot Noir

Appellation: [Twenty Mile Bench](#)

Grape: Pinot Noir

Price: \$35.00

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Craig Pinhey is a professionally certified Sommelier, educator, wine judge, and wine writer. He is the provincial wine columnist for the *New Brunswick Telegraph Journal*, appears regularly on CBC Radio, and is a longstanding columnist for *East Coast Living*,

Progress Magazine, [[here](#)] and *Aliant.net*. He prefers wines with mineral and earthy notes, distinct varietal fruit and regional character, and moderate alcohol so he can drink more of it.