



PINOT NOIR

2018

VITICULTURE

Location	Waitaki Valley, North Otago
Climate	Maritime influenced
Clones	UCD5, Abel, 667, 115
Soils	Limestone based soil spread through river gravels
Vine Age	Planted 2005
Vine Density	5,000 / Hectare
Trellis System	Cane Prune VSP

WINEMAKING

Winemaker	Antony Worch
Harvest Date	6th April 2018
Brix	22
Residual Sugar	< 1g/l
pH	3.65
T.A	5.1g/l
Peak Fermentation Temp	28
Oak Percentages	100% French Oak (30% New)
Time in Barrel	10 Months
Fining	None
Filtering	Light
Alcohol	14.0% Alc
Total Cases Produced	500 Dozen

VINTAGE REVIEW

2018 vintage was the hottest and earliest harvest experienced to date in the Waitaki Valley. A hot dry spring led to good growth and early flowering. The conditions stayed warm and settled through January although rain set in for most of February and March. The rain occurred during relatively cold days therefore did not affect the quality. The fruit remained clean and the fine weather in April allowed us to be selective of picking dates. The wines of 2018 are very aromatic, show low acidity and well balanced.

TASTING NOTE

Powerful aromas of wild berry and vanilla with a hint of forest floor and spice. The tannins are firm yet fresh making this an elegant Pinot Noir.

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