

## Single Vineyard Maude

Mohawk Hill Vineyard Lowburn Pinot Noir 2020

Vintage Summary

The year no-one will ever forget, 2020. Our 2020 growing season followed a very mild winter, bud burst coincided perfectly with very cool Spring conditions, thankfully we avoided any damage from 3 significant frosts. Spring conditions remained cool with intermittent periods of rain. Flowering as a result was interrupted and drawn out which affected our fruit set, we knew we were in for a light cropping year. With the beginning of the calendar year, the weather settled, warmed up and despite our initial predictions that we would need to do a lot of green thinning to even up the crop, we found the tiny berry size and bunch weights ripened easily in the warmer conditions. A year where the small berries, light bunches and cool ripening conditions has meant flavours are ripe and concentrated, with good vibrancy and acidity.

The name given to our Lowburn Vineyard in Cromwell, as when you stand amidst the wines and look out across Lake Dunstan, the hill you look directly upon was once aptly named Mohawk Hill by the workers who came to Central Otago to build the Clyde Dam. Planted in 2008 / 220m elevation. Clones 115, 667 / 31% whole cluster / 31 days maceration—without a doubt the largest and most luscious of the 4 single vineyard Pinot Noir, ripe cherry and plum aromas—rich, round and cuddly, a definite crowd favourite.

Harvest date: 2 April 2020 Bottling date: 18 March 2021 Qty Bottled: 3572 bottles Alcohol 14%

pH 3.72 Acidity 5.5 g/ L

No fining / light filtration Maturation 8+ years

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