

2022 CARRICK THE MAGNETIC PINOT NOIR

Cairnmuir Terrace Vineyard, Bannockburn, SWNZ BIOGRO-5056

Named after a Kawarau River gold dredge, the Carrick Magnetic Pinot Noir is a single block, single variety and single clone wine. The clone in question, Abel, was said to be derived from a cutting smuggled into the country from a famed Burgundian estate and subsequently confiscated by customs on arrival into the country. Moonlighting as a winemaker in his spare time, Malcolm Abel – a customs officer – saw the potential in the cutting and decided to propagate the clone. It is this unique chain of events which ultimately lead us to plant the Abel clone on a small 0.34 ha plot in 2008.

Hand-picked and sorted in the vineyard, 100% Abel clone. Destemmed to tank, fermented wild using a combination of pumpovers and punch-downs to manage the cap. On skins for 16 days, pressed, settled and racked to 7 barrels - for 10 months, 15% new.

Harvested: 23rd March 2022

Additions: Tartaric Acid, Yeast Hull Supplement, Sulphur Dioxide

Fining/Filtration: No fining or filtration

Total Acidity: 5.3 g/L
Residual Sugar: <1 g/L
Alcohol: 14.00% abv
TSO2 at bottling: 62 ppm
Bottled: 7th March 2023

Cases: 311 x 6 bottle cases produced.

"The 2022 Magnetic shows the classic ripe fruit forward character of the vintage. It's rich and rounded with velvety tannins. Great balance with notes of star anise, nutmeg, toasted hazelnuts and baked cherries. A powerful wine that has great ageing potential."

- Winemaker Rosie Menzies

Cellaring Potential: Best from 2025-2035

Food Match: Chargrilled lamb loin, with a hazelnut crust and mushrooms.







