

Chard Farm

CENTRAL OTAGO

Mason Vineyard Pinot Noir 2022

winemakers comments:

The Mason Vineyard Pinot Noir is a single vineyard wine grown on the Mason vineyard in the Parkburn sub-region of the Cromwell Basin. It is a unique and captivating site on a north facing frost free slope.

The wine is predominately made up of a parcel of Abel clone Pinot Noir that grows on the steep north facing "O" block. We favour the grapes that grow there because of the underlying clay and pedogenic lime layers. The vines seem to struggle more than the rest of the block, and the fruit that is produced has smaller bunches and more intense flavours. It is very spicy, and the fruit is elegant and sinewy on the palate. We also pick at the same time a smaller amount of clones 777 & 667 grown on either side of the Abel. These clones give the wine good tannin structure and fruit weight.

wine description:

A deep bouquet of red cherry fruit with hints of perfumed spice and savoury soy notes. Crunchy berry fruit, gentle spice and savoury flavours feature on a generously weighted palate with velvety tannin and engaging tension.

harvest: 1st April 2022

Brix 23.5

pH 3.23

TA 8.9g/L

in bottle: 30th November 2023

pH – 3.68

TA – 5.2g/L

Alc. – 13.6%

