



PYRAMID VALLEY

NEW ZEALAND

2020 NORTH CANTERBURY PINOT NOIR

Variety/blend

100% Pinot Noir

Season summary

Spring and early summer were warm and dry resulting in good flowering and crops. From Christmas through to harvest, we experienced very warm, dry and settled weather resulting in beautifully ripe, clean fruit at harvest.

Tasting note

Deep crimson hue. Deep brooding nose of plum and blue fruits with lifted floral spicy notes. Full bodied Pinot Noir with ripe rich fruits, mouth filling texture and round plush tannins giving the wine weight and power that lingers on the palate with a savoury, moreish finish.

Viticulture

A blend of four vineyards in North Canterbury. The sites include the most northern vineyard on the Omihi Saddle planted on Omihi clay soils; 'Top Block' which is part of the "Golden Mile" on Blacks Ave in Waipara also planted on Omihi clay soils; Three Sisters Vineyard on Mackenzies Rd in Waipara, planted on Rangitata gravels; and The Porters families vineyard on Mackenzies Rd in Waipara, planted in 2004 on Domett Clay soils.

Harvest dates: 13 March - 29 March 2020

Winemaking

Hand-picked and fermented with natural vineyard yeasts in open top fermenters with 25% whole bunch. It was aged in French barrels, 20% new for 12 months before settling in stainless steel on light less for a further 6 months. Bottled unfinned and unfiltered.

Chemical Analysis

Alcohol: 13.0% pH: 3.64

TA: 5.2g/L SO²: 56ppm

Other additives: None

Suitable for Vegetarian/Vegan: Yes

