



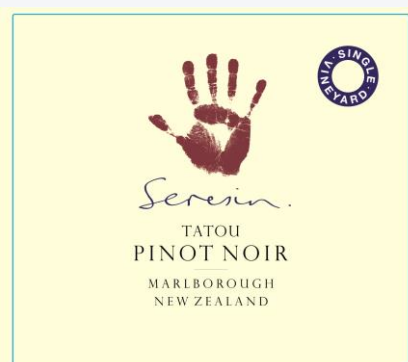
SERESIN ESTATE

TATOU PINOT NOIR 2012

TASTING NOTE:

The nose exhibits aromas of hedgerow fruit, with undertones of spice, earth and dried herb. The palate is concentrated and dense, with finely-grained tannins giving robust structure to softly rounded bramble and rosehip fruit. Elegant and expressive, the finish is long and savoury.

Drink dates: Now until 2025



VINTAGE:

2012 was a cool year. However, it started in ordinary fashion with a fine spring and even flowering and fruit-set. There was some rain at Christmas, though not enough to cause trouble, but temperatures never really lifted and the sun rarely showed her face. Consequently, the ripening was slow and harvest late with low yields.

VINEYARD:

This wine is made entirely from Pinot Noir grown in our Tatou vineyard which is located at the western end of the Wairau Valley on stony free draining soils. Each vine is thinned to carry one bunch per shoot.

WINEMAKING:

Fruit was hand-sorted, destemmed and cooled. After pre-fermentation steeping, the juice was warmed and fermented with wild yeast, and the caps hand-plunged daily during fermentation. The wine was left on skins for 2 weeks of post-ferment maceration, then drained, lightly pressed and transferred to French oak barriques, none of which were new. The wine went through natural malolactic fermentation during 15 months maturation, before it was bottled unfiltered and unfined.

Clones: 115, 667 & 777

Yield: 3 tonnes / hectare

Oak: 100% oak matured, 0% new

Bottling date: 17th January 2014

Alcohol: 12.5%

RS: <1g/l

pH: 3.65

TA: 5.4g/l

Organic. Biodynamic. Suitable for vegans. Contains sulphites.

