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# SUN & MOON PINOT NOIR 2014



pH - 3.64  
TA - 6.1  
RS - 1.5 g/L  
Alc - 13.5%  
Total SO<sub>2</sub> - 68ppm

Vineyard - Raupo Creek  
Clones - 115 & 777 & 10/5  
Yield - 2 Tonnes/ hectare  
<1kg fruit per vine  
Oak - 18 months, 14% new

Production: 154 cases

Suitable for Vegetarians and Vegans

## Tasting Notes

Made from our finest grapes in exceptional vintages, this is the purest expression of Pinot Noir we can craft. It is savoury and complex, and created with ageing in mind. The supple tannins provide structure for rich and succulent fruit weight, creating a balance between power and elegance.

## Winemaking

All of the fruit for this wine was hand-sorted, destemmed and cooled. After prefermentation cold soak, the juice was warmed slightly to begin fermentation with wild yeast, and the caps hand-plunged daily during this period. The wine was left on skins for 2 weeks of post-ferment maceration, then drained, lightly pressed and transferred to French oak barriques, of which 14% were new. The wine went through natural malolactic fermentation during 18 months maturation in barrel, before it was bottled unfiltered and unfined.

## Vintage

The 2014 growing season saw minimal frosts in early spring and perfect conditions for flowering and fruit set. The season continued to be warm and settled until after the new year solstice when temperatures started to cool. This long stable weather pattern allowed for a longer than usual ripening period until the fruit reached optimal ripeness for harvest.

## Viticulture

The fruit for this wine comes from the steep hill block of our clay rich hillside Raupo Creek vineyard in Marlborough's Omaka Valley. Respect for and care for the soil plays a prominent role, with farming practices observing the natural cycles of the universe; earth, sun and moon. Each vine is hand tended throughout the season to create a balanced canopy and optimise fruit quality. The ideal yield is for the vine to carry one bunch per shoot or less – under 1kg of fruit per vine so careful thinning ensures this complexity.