

Valli Waitaki Pinot Noir 2020

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Viticulture

Location: Grant's Road, Waitaki Valley, North Otago

Climate: Maritime influenced

Altitude: 200m

Clones: 115, 777, Abel, UCD 5, 114

Soils: Limestone-based soil spread through river gravels

GDD: Approximately 877

Rainfall: Approximately 350 mm per Annum

Vine Age: Planted 2001
Yield: 3 Tonnes / Hectare
Vine Density: 5000 / Hectare

Winemaking

Harvest Date: 20th April and 30th April 2020

Brix: 23.8
Whole Bunch: 20%
Peak Fermentation Temp: 29°C
Average Cuvaison: 27 Days
Oak Percentages: New 32%
Time in Barrel: 11 Months

Coopers Used: Mercurey, Ana Selection

Fining: None
Filtering: None
Alcohol: 13 %
Total Bottles Produced: 6,423

Tasting Notes

"A light garnet hue with wild strawberry and plum married with black olive, maple, sage and oyster shell. The intriguing bouquet follows on the palate with garrigue spice, cardamom damson plum, tart cherry, and mushroom. The palate has deceptive intensity with fine tannins and incredible persistence, finishing with distinctive salinity. Intense fragrance, unique savoury undertones, and electric energy = classic Waitaki Pinot Noir and this vintage is no exception. Captivating at release, this wine will continue to develop for a decade" *Jen Parr*