CENTRAL OTAGO, NEW ZEALAND

# 2021 BELLA RESERVE PINOT NOIR

Viticulturist/Wine: Domenic Mondillo

Location/Cellar Door: Bendigo, Central Otago, NZ.

**Variety:** 100% Pinot Noir

Hand Harvested: April 2021

Bottle Size: 750ml - Screwcap

**Limited Edition:** 800 bottles

Our 2021 Bella Reserve is aromatic with red fruit aromas, spicy, nutty flavours, velvet textured tannins, complex, balanced and delicious. Enjoy - Salute!

### 2021 VINTAGE & BELLA RESERVE WINERY NOTES

The 2021 Central Otago growing season started off with a cool spring, followed by perfect weather from February through to mid April. Warm and dry weather conditions during this time gave us delicious tasting fruit and a wonderful grape harvest.

This wine is produced with a combination of clones 5 and 777, each of which were fermented individually. The fruit was 100% de-stemmed followed by a long cold maceration, fermented slowly, gently pressed and put to barrel. This wine has been filtered and is unfined. It has been aged in French oak barriques for 17 months. The finished wine was bottled on the 9 September 2022. Release Date: September 2023 Wine Specs: Alc: 14% / pH: 3.78 / TA: 5.85

### MONDILLO VINEYARD

Mondillo is a 23 hectare (54 Acres) single estate vineyard at Bendigo, a sub-region of Central Otago, that was developed and planted by Domenic Mondillo in 2001. The vineyard landscape is made up of three terraces consisting of free-draining alluvial soils. The vineyard is meticulously managed to produce low yielding, high quality, concentrated fruit. Mondillo fruit is always hand harvested when the fruit is at its physiological ripeness ensuring the optimum flavours are captured with a true reflection of terroir.

### Bob Campbell MW - 96/100 Points

"Aromatic, perfumed pinot noir with appealing floral/red rose and violet scents together with intense, ripe dark cherry and a suggestion of spicy characters."

### Michael Cooper MA ONZM - 5 Stars

"Deep, bright ruby, it is invitingly perfumed and full-bodied, with a strong surge of plumy, spicy, nutty flavours, very ripe, savoury and harmonious. Showing lovely delicacy and suppleness"

### Wine Orbit / Sam Kim - 97/100 Points

"Refined and immensely complex, the wine shows sweet plum, dried herb, game and cedar characters on the nose with a hint of forest floor notes. It's sophisticated and symphonic, offering exceptional fruit purity and savoury nuances combined with seamless texture and silky flow..."

## Cameron Douglas MS - 95/100 Points

"A complex wine with a bouquet of youth and power, vibrant red fruit aromas and new wood scents. There's mineral and earthy qualities as well as a drive and intensity. Outstanding"











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