

MT MAUDE EMW pinot noir 2017

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When East meets West it is a celebration of two blocks of mature Mt Maude Vineyard Pinot Noir which face opposite directions. It marks a different direction in style too. EMW has a captivating perfume of violets, strawberry, clove, undergrowth and spice. The palate is one with succulence, breadth and softness.

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VINTAGE SUMMARY

Vintage 2017 was the coolest we have seen in 15 years. The beginning of the season and the conclusion were perfect but where was the Summer? Those who live here in Central Otago will remember it as 'a very windy - very cold Summer'. The cooler conditions had a huge effect on berry size and the vines produced much lighter than average yields, down to a crippling 2 tonne per hectare in places. Thankfully Summer turned to Autumn, the winds subsided, the sun shone at last, the grass browned off and the light crop on the vines ripened slowly but with ease. With smaller berry size and late ripening the fruit harvested from the 2017 vintage had an intensity and power which we believe will class it amidst the great vintages of our region.

VINIFICATION

Only harvested from the East and West blocks of our mature Mt Maude family vineyard in Wanaka, planted in 1994. The complete use of whole bunches, no crushing, no plunging or pumping. Instead the tank is sealed for fermentation and let to 'do its own thing' for 3 weeks before basket pressing and barreling.



CLONES	HARVEST DATE	BOTTLING DATE	QTY BOTTLED	ALCOHOL	pH	ACIDITY
10/5	23rd April 2017	14th March 2018	1416 bottles	14.2% VOL	3.74	5.4g/L