



Single Vineyard Pinot Noir 2009

Domain Road Vineyard is located in the heart of an historic gold mining area, Bannockburn, Central Otago, one of several Vineyards in the desirable Bannockburn area. The Vineyard covers most of a sheltered valley which provides a unique microclimate providing shelter and heat to the vines.

This Pinot Noir is planted on high quality loam soils which overlay schist gravels and 'pipe clay' (named for the white clay used to make tobacco pipes by early gold miners) which is unique to the area.

The vineyard is owned by the Crosbie family who have a long association with the area.

The Wine

The fruit was carefully hand harvested over the period 16 to 23 April 2009, and was destemmed and fermented in four open top fermenters. Three of the ferments were wild, and the remaining ferment was inoculated. The wine was aged in French Oak Barriques for approximately 10 months, of which 36% was new oak.

Domain Road Vineyard Pinot Noir 2009 is deep crimson with purple hues, and you will experience attractive sweet red and black berries on the nose with hints of spice, dried herbs, and subtle integrated oak. Medium weight on the palate, with cherries and plums coming through supported by fine grained tannins. This is a balanced wine with excellent length.

Variety	100% Pinot Noir
Appellation	Central Otago
Sub Region	Bannockburn
Ph	3.57
TA	6.10g/l
Brix at Harvest	25
Alcohol	14.0% by volume

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