



Single Vineyard Pinot Noir 2007

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

5 different clones are hand tended and hand picked. After initial fermentation in stainless the wine is aged for 10 months in French Oak barrels. This is followed with a further 6 months in bottle before release.

2007 was a more difficult year in the vineyard. Uneven flowering (hen and chicken) and uneven fruit set with some shrivel towards harvest but a good late summer and mild Autumn as usual produced some outstanding flavours which have produced an outstanding vintage.

Dark and red fruits, plums, cherries, dried herbs, wild thyme, orange peel, soft tannins, well balanced acids. Our 2007 Pinot Noir has good length, body, and structure with a spicy finish. Excellent aging potential.

Nose; dense, dark fruits, rich, fresh, tight but opens up freely, spice, herbal complexities Food match, cinnamon, 5 spice, duck, lamb.

Variety	100% Pinot Noir
Appellation	Central Otago
Sub Region	Bannockburn
Ph	3.5
TA	8.0g/l
Brix at Harvest	25
Alcohol	14.5% by volume

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