



DOMAIN ROAD *vineyard*

Paradise Pinot Noir 2018

Domain Road Vineyard is a small producer of premium wines in Bannockburn, Central Otago, New Zealand. Two vineyards, one on Domain Road and the other on Felton Road are hand tended by a small team under the leadership of Fiona Johnman. Bannockburn's hot summers, followed by cool dry autumns allow the grapes to reach optimum maturity prior to harvest.

Our vineyards embrace the past, making the most of the soils and unique clays left exposed by miners searching for gold as well as the areas passed over and left untouched. Our Paradise Pinot Noir grows on blocks on our Domain Road vineyard chosen for the quality of soils and underlying gravels. We have five clones of Pinot Noir planted in the vineyard and each vintage of Paradise Pinot Noir can be selected from just a few or all of these

The Wine

Our Paradise Pinot Noir is a single vineyard expression of the site where the grapes are grown. It is produced in limited quantities each vintage from a selection of barrels which we believe best represent that vintage. We want our Pinots to reflect the vintage, allowing them freedom of expression so that each vintage is embraced as a unique event.

The grapes (clones 5,667 and 115) were carefully hand harvested on the 23rd and 24th March 2018. The fruit was destemmed into stainless steel tanks and fermented with indigenous yeasts. The wine was aged in French oak barriques for approximately 15 months, of which 33% was new oak.

Our 2018 Paradise Pinot Noir is deep garnet with crimson hues. Spicy and intense the wine has fragrant aromas of dark plum, boysenberry, raspberry, cedar, pepper, cloves and nutmeg on the nose. Ripe dark fruit, chocolate and spice show on a rich and textural palate. Silky, with lovely velvety tannins and a touch of minerality leading to a long blackberry finish.

Food match: hare, rabbit, duck or lamb

Variety	100% Pinot Noir
Appellation	Central Otago
Sub Region	Bannockburn
Vineyards	Domain Road
Harvested	23 & 24 March 2018
pH	3.66
TA	5.24g/L
Residual Sugar	Nil
Alcohol	14.0%

