



DOMAIN ROAD *vineyard*

Pinot Noir Rosé 2020

Domain Road Vineyard is tucked away in the village of Bannockburn, near Cromwell, Central Otago, an area famous for its 19th century gold fields. A unique micro-climate of hot summers and frosty winters provide perfect conditions for growing diverse grape varieties.

The Pinot Noir vines have been planted to take advantage of the shelter provided by the surrounding hills. This gives the grapes a complex mix of flavours that create a superbly flavoursome wine.

The Wine

The grapes were hand harvested from Domain Road and Defiance Vineyards on 31st March and 16th April 2020. The fruit was whole bunch pressed to a stainless steel tank for cold settling for two days, to pick up colour from the grape skins. Once the pale pink colour favoured by Domain Road was achieved, the juice was racked off and fermented. The cool fermentation was stopped to retain a touch of residual sugar.

Pale salmon pink with apricot hues in colour, the fragrant aromas of strawberry, raspberry, melon, peach, pear and redcurrant, alongside apple blossom, rose petals and citrus on the nose, give a hint of what is to come. Dry, delicately floral, with red fruits, stone fruit and citrus on the palate complemented by good minerality.

A complex, nicely balanced dry wine, with a delicious crisp nectarine finish.
Food matches: Chicken, oysters, shellfish, soft cheeses. Also starters and hors d'oeuvres.

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Variety	Pinot Noir
Appellation	Central Otago
Sub Region	Bannockburn
Vineyard	Defiance
Harvested at	31st March & 16th April 2020
Alcohol	14.0%
Residual Sugar	4.6g/L
pH	3.19
TA	7.01g/L

