

ALLAN SCOTT MARLBOROUGH PINOT NOIR 2014

A cool climate grape, Pinot Noir is particularly suited to the Marlborough region. The aging of our vines and the greater understanding we gain as growers has enabled us to further develop our Pinot Noir style each year and this 2014 vintage is no exception, continuing our aim of developing our own distinctive style.

VITICULTURE

Produced from our Pinot Noir vineyards established in 1995 with a mixture of Dijon clones. Two cane pruning, shoot removal, bunch thinning and leaf plucking are just some of the vineyard husbandry techniques to ensure concentrated flavours and desirable sugar levels.

VINIFICATION

The grapes were picked during the night when the fruit temperatures were at their minimum. The partially crushed grapes were transferred to open top cuves for cold maceration of 7-10 days followed by wild fermentation. During fermentation the juice is pumped over and plunged up to 3 times per day allowing gentle extraction of fruit tannins. After skin time ranging from 23 to 31 days the wine was pressed, briefly settled and transferred to 20% new and 80% used barrels for maturation and 100% malolactic fermentation.

DESCRIPTION

On the nose there are ripe red fruits, cassis and delicious spicy notes with hints of tobacco, supported by the well-integrated oak. The palate is assertive with delicious ripe cherry and violet notes and a hint of dried herbs, the ripe supple tannins make this a very appealing wine.

SERVING SUGGESTION

This Pinot Noir is concentrated and powerful and deserves a little bit of bottle aging before enjoying with rich flavoursome food – but as with all great Pinot Noirs avoid tomato based sauces.



TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

(at bottling)

Grape Variety 100% Pinot Noir

Alcohol 13.5%

Residual Sugar 3.7g/l

pH 3.56

TA 5.77g/l

Oak Treatment 100% French Oak

20% New

Malolactic

Fermentation 100%

Vegetarian /Vegan Fined with Egg

Albumin

1st Year of Production 1998

Barcode

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