



## PROPHET'S ROCK

### Technical Notes

**2008**

**Prophet's Rock  
Pinot Gris  
Central Otago**

*Brix at Harvest:* 24.5

*Alcohol:* 14%

*pH:* 3.29

*TA:* 6.9 g/l

*Blend:* 100% Pinot Gris

*Pinot Gris Clone:* Ovaile Selection

*Quantity Produced:* 1100 (6-bottle) Cases

*Residual Sugar:* 15 grams/litre

*Vineyard Notes:* The grapes were sourced from a vineyard located in the Pisa sub-region of Central Otago. This site features warm free draining soils featuring schist and alluvial river stones over sandy gravels. Extensive canopy and crop management was carried out during the growing season to ensure the grapes attained full physiological ripeness with great concentration and flavour.

*Vintage 2008 Notes:* The 2008 season was typified by an early start followed by a long warm summer and dry cool Autumn allowing extended ripening and full aromatic expression with great concentration. The grapes were picked in mid April.

*Winemaking Notes:* The grapes for this wine were handpicked and field sorted, once at the winery the fruit was 100% whole-bunch pressed to retain maximum aromatics and freshness. The wine was fermented using only indigenous ('wild') yeast in multiple small lots. Once fermentation was completed the wine was matured on its lees prior to bottling in November. The wine was bottled under premium quality cork.

*Wine notes:* White gold in colour the Prophet's Rock 2008 displays a wide spectrum of aromatics from pear, peach and citrus peel to quince and spice notes with an underlying minerality. These aromas are echoed on the concentrated, crisp and long lingering palate. The freshness, aromatics and concentration of this wine mean it will harmonize with a diverse range of Asian and Pacific Rim dishes, fish, seafood, salads and white meats. Good acid structure and concentration mean that this wine will also reward careful cellaring for those with patience over the next 5 years...

**Summary tasting note:** Wonderfully aromatic example of top Pinot Gris. Fantastic fruit and spice aromas, concentrated with a long dry finish. Complex, absolute pleasure and shows what Pinot Gris in Central Otago is capable of.

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