



Prophet's Rock 'Home Vineyard' Pinot Noir 2013

Alc: 13.5%

pH: 3.61

TA: 5.4g/l

RS: Nil

Cases: 2,546 Cases (6)



Vineyard

The grapes were grown on our Home Vineyard located on a high elevation, steep, north-facing terrace in the Bendigo sub-region of Central Otago. This stunning site has soil that features clay and chalk mixed with schist and quartz.

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. Yields on the Prophet's Rock vineyards are kept low, in this vintage 35hl/ha.

Vintage Notes

After a favourable spring, weather was mixed through Christmas and New Year. From the second week of January the weather improved with even warm temperatures through the rest of summer and autumn, allowed extended ripening and full aromatic expression with great concentration. The grapes were picked mid-April.

Winemaking

The grapes were handpicked and field sorted, once at the winery the fruit was destemmed with a high proportion of whole berries going into the fermenters. Fermentation took place using only indigenous 'wild' yeast. The wine was gently handled with very little extraction and once alcoholic fermentation was complete, the wine was drawn off its skins to barrel. The wine spent 17 months in French oak barrels from specific Burgundy cooperages and forests, of which 35% were new. The wine was bottled unfiltered under Diam cork which are certified taint-free on 14th January 2015

The Wine

Rich ruby in colour, displaying red berry fruit, spice and floral aromas on the nose leading on to an elegant well-structured, mineral driven palate. The rich aromatics are accompanied by silky tannin and well-balanced acidity leading on to a long finish. This wine will reward cellaring over the next 6-10+ years from vintage.



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