



Rocky Point Pinot Noir 2016

Alc: 13.5%

pH: 3.60

TA: 5.6g/l

RS: None



Vineyard

The grapes were sourced from the two Prophet's Rock estate vineyards in the Bendigo sub-region of Central Otago. Extensive canopy and crop management was carried out during the growing season to ensure the grapes attained full physiological ripeness with good concentration and flavour. Yields were kept low across both sites and did not exceed 38 hl/ha or 5t/ha.

This wine is principally from Rocky Point Vineyard is home to some of the steepest blocks in Central Otago, elegant vines grow on top of an underlay of schist rock providing high minerality and spice to the grapes whilst above the surface we see an abundance of wild thyme

Winemaking

The grapes were handpicked and fermented by indigenous 'wild' yeast. The wine was occasionally hand-plunged during fermentation and then aged in French oak barrels from a variety of Burgundy cooperages and forests. 'Wild' malolactic fermentation took place in barrel and the wine was aged on its yeast lees before bottling on the 22nd March 2017.

The Wine

Brilliant ruby in colour the Rocky Point 2016 shows bright red berry, cherry, floral and spice aromas on the nose leading on to a smooth velvety palate. Here the rich fruit flavours are complemented by spice, mineral and dried herb notes leading on to a long rich finish. A versatile food wine that will complement a wide range of cuisine, this wine is a great match with lamb, game and salmon and will continue to provide great enjoyment over the next 4-8 years.



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