

# ROCKBURN PINOT NOIR 2023



CENTRAL OTAGO

The 2023 vintage yielded beautiful Pinot Noir fruit from each of our Parkburn (85%) and Gibbston Back Road (15%) vineyards.

We have then simply guided the wine gently through to the bottle with minimal handling. We believe a "hands-off" approach delivers a pure expression of Central Otago to your glass.

#### BOUQUET

Expressive nose of plum, black cherry and tasty oak.

### PALATE

Deeply fruited, rich mocha, supple and silky, with a long finish.

As always, this wine shows classic Rockburn elegance, integrity and balance.

#### FOOD

Roast meats (Pork / Chicken), hard cheeses, mushrooms and earthy root vegetables. Enjoy with friends over the next 10-15 years.

#### ANALYSIS

Alcohol: 13.5%
Titratable Acidity: 5.2 g/l
Residual Sugar: < 1.0 g/l
pH level: 3.66

#### VITICULTURE

Grape Variety: Pinot Noir

Clones: 10/5, 5, 6, Abel, 115, 777. Training & Trellis: Vertical Shoot Position (VSP)

Soils: Gibbston 40cm topsoil over alluvial

gravels. Parkburn 10-15 cm loam over

river gravel.

Vineyard Location: Gibbston 15%, Parkburn 85%

Climate Comment: Normal heat accumulation. Warm and dry

Vintage Climate: Cool & early.

Harvest Date: 22nd March– 30th April

Viticulturist Comment: Very clean fruit, variable yields

#### WINEMAKING

Winemaker: Malcolm Rees-Francis

Fermentation: 7 tonne fermenters, 1 to 4 days initial

maceration; fermentation over 1 week with

daily plunging followed by post

fermentation maceration for another 10-14

days.

Barrel élevage: 10 months in French oak; 30% new, 22% 1

year old and balance in 2 / 3-year-old oak.

Bottled: 20<sup>th</sup> February 2024

Vintage Comment Clean fruit and cool nights working together

to deliver a bright and floral Pinot this year,

very food friendly and very ageable.

## PACKAGING& PRODUCTION

Pack Size 6x750ml
Closure: Screw Cap
Lot# LRBPN23

Bottle Barcode (750ml) 9421902445248 Case Barcode (6x750ml) 09421902445583