## Mohawk Hill

Lowburn Pinot Noir 2019

## Vintage Summary

The 2019 vintage growing season at Mt Maude began well with good soil moisture and warmer temperatures. However the flourish of new spring growth was threatened by a severe frost on the 13th of October, which we narrowly escaped with the help of a helicopter flying for 5 hours, creating air movement and avoiding that potentially devastating cool air settling around the vines. The months of October, November and even into December proved to be exceptional growing conditions for the vines, with warm days and higher than average rainfall, resulting in healthy canopies, good flowering and fruit set. Warm, settled weather took over as we began the new year and the vineyards, despite a drawn out version looked on target for a more typical harvest date. The settled weather continued and picking decisions were made with confidence, easy when the fruit looks so good.

The name given to our Lowburn Vineyard in Cromwell as when you stand amidst the vines and look out across Lake Dunstan the hill you look directly upon was once aptly named Mohawk Hill by the workers who came to Central Otago to build the Clyde Dam. Planted in 2008 / 220m elevation. Clone 667 / 34% whole cluster / 29 days maceration — without doubt the largest and most luscious of the 4 single vineyard Pinot Noirs, ripe cherry and plum aromas — rich, round and cuddly, a definite crowd favourite.

Harvest Date: 04 April 2019 Bottling Date: 05 March 2020 Qty Bottled: 3855 bottles Alcohol 14% pH 3.59 Acidity 5.5g/L

No fining / light filtration Maturation 8+ years

Produced and bottled by: Maude Wines Central Otago New Zealand maudewines.com

