

Single Vineyard Maude

Mohawk Hill Vineyard Lowburn Pinot Noir 2021

Vintage Summary

The 2021 vintage growing season began early, thankfully not too early for the Mt Maude Vineyard which managed to miss the early October frost, bud bursting a few days later. Mid-October also proved challenging for us, helicopter at the ready, narrowly avoiding another significant frost. Warmer Spring conditions followed, steady and even growth, flowering began in mid-November, whilst drawn out the flowering indicated healthier crop levels than the previous year. Despite a couple of snow falls on surrounding hills during the latter part of the year, the frost risk was low. Warm, dry weather continued throughout the rest of the growing season and harvest began almost 2 weeks early, fruit ripened to perfection with bold interesting flavours.

The name given to our Lowburn Vineyard in Cromwell, as when you stand amidst the wines 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. Clones 667, Abel, 5 / 33% whole cluster / 26 days maceration—without a doubt the largest and most luscious of the 4 single vineyard Pinot Noir, ripe cherry and plum aromas—rich, round and cuddly, a definite crowd favourite.

Harvest date: 26 March 2021 Bottling date: 8 March 2022 Qty Bottled: 3,780 bottles Alcohol 14% pH 3.54 Acidity 6.3 q/ L

No fining / light filtration Maturation 8+ years

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