

2022

Single Vineyard Maude Mohawk Hill Vineyard Lowburn Pinot Noir

Vintage Summary

There were so many positives with this growing season and the resultant 2022 harvest. Nature provided some timely rains from October to December, which combined with warm dry periods in between allowed the vines to thrive, good even growth making Spring / Summer vine training a dream. Our nemesis, jack frost, was nowhere to be found and we enjoyed calm settled weather over flowering and fruit set, resulting in a healthy crop load with above average number of bunches/vine but smaller than average berry size, the perfect combination. Whilst the strong La Nina brought rain to the North Island and much of the East Coast of Australia, it gave us a beautifully warm, dry Autumn that extended into May. Whilst harvest started early for us in mid-March at Mohawk Hill, we enjoyed the cooler finish to the season which slowed down ripening at Poison Creek and Mt Maude, giving the Pinot Noirs in particular, time to develop wonderful flavours. We're excited.

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 / 30% whole cluster / 31 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: 3rd April 2022 Bottling date: 1st March 2023 Qty Bottled: 3,880 bottles Alcohol 14%

pH 3.52

No fining / light filtration Maturation 8+ years

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