



**Maude**  
Central Otago  
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.

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Blackcurrant / bramble / dark cherry / plum / smoke / velvet. A savory and structural expression of Central Otago Pinot Noir where precision and detail replace volume and mass.

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Harvest Date: 24 March to 30 March 2021  
Bottling Date: 2nd March 2022  
Qty Bottled: 3600 dozen  
Pinot Noir Clones: 115, 667, 5, Able, 777, 6, 114  
Alcohol: 14%  
pH: 3.65  
Acidity: 5.7 g/L

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Poison Creek (Queensberry) 65%  
Mohawk Hill (Lowburn) 35%  
Whole cluster average: 22%  
Maceration average: 23 days on skins  
Matured 10 months in barrique  
No fining / minimal filtration

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