

2023

VITICULTURE

Location Waitaki Valley, North Otago

Climate Maritime influenced

Clones 2/15, Barrie, Lincoln Berry Smith

Soils Limestone based soil spread through river gravels

Vine Age Planted 2005
Vine Density 4,000 / Hectare

Trellis System Single Guyot Spur Pruned

WINE MAKING

Winemaker Antony Worch
Harvest Date 27th April 2023

Brix 22.7
Residual Sugar 7.5 g/l
pH 3.30
Whole Bunch Press 100%

Peak Fermentation Temp 18 Degree Celsius
Oak Percentages 10% French Oak

Time in Barrel 3 months
Fining None
Filtering Sterile
Alcohol 14.0% Alc
Total Cases Produced 440

VINTAGE REVIEW

La Niña's weather pattern came with a generous warm Spring allowing even budburst and little interruption to shoot growth from traditional Spring frosts. The extreme westerly winds were avoided this vintage as the 'energy' of this season was being driven from a much more mild and wetter easterly flow. This however did not affect the yields for our block, and we averaged 6 tonnes per hectare.

The temperatures remained cooler during the vital period of berry development, with careful tendering of the vines the fruit was pristine and we managed to get the time needed to achieve desired ripeness crafting wines that reflect our limestone soils and terroir.

Harvest started on 23rd April and the final grapes were gathered on 29th April.

TASTING NOTE

Nice bright yellow tones with pale hues. Subtle aromas of baked apple, tropical fruit with a hint of nectarine and sweet ginger. A textural palate, balanced with a flinty acidity.

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