

2019

VITICULTURE

Location	Waitaki Valley, North Otago
Climate	Maritime influenced
Clones	UCD5, Abel, 667, 115
Soils	Limestone based soil spread through river gravels
Vine Age	Planted 2005
Vine Density	5,000 / Hectare
Trellis System	Cane Prune VSP

WINEMAKING

VINTAGE REVIEW

Waitaki vintage 2019 proved to be strongly influenced on the individual personalities of Spring, Summer and Autumn. Spring was aggressively cold and wet and proved challenging to flowering. With almost perfect timing the clouds lifted on the 1st of December, and Summer proved too be generous to vine and fruit. The fruit set in the vineyard was low, and the warmth of Summer ripened the reduced fruit almost perfectly. Autumn cooled slowly and allowed the fruit to hang without disease concerns. The fruit flavours and natural acidity that the Waitaki is famous for has never been so well achieved.

TASTING NOTE

Seductive aromatics of wild berry and vanilla with a hint of spice. The wines of 2019 are very aromatic, show tension and structure with a velvety tannin.

WAITAKI VALLEY WINE OF NEW ZEALAND

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