



2017 CARRICK MAGNETIC PINOT NOIR

Carrick Bannockburn Vineyard, SWNZ BIOGRO-5056

Named after a Kawarau River gold dredge, the Carrick Magnetic Pinot Noir is a single block, single variety and single clone wine. Unique and interesting it is only sold direct to customers through our cellar door and wine club. The clone is Abel, said to be a cutting smuggled into the country from a famed Burgundian estate and subsequently confiscated by one Malcolm Abel. Moonlighting as a winemaker in his spare time, Abel a customs officer saw the potential in the cutting and decided to propagate the clone. It is this unique chain of events which then ultimately lead us to plant the Abel clone on a small 0.34ha plot in 2008.

Fermented in tank, then barreled down to just 5 neutral French oak barrels for 11 months.

Origin: Carrick Vineyards, Bannockburn, Central Otago

Hand-picked in: Apr 2017

Bottled: Mar 2018

Cases: 90 x 6 bottle cases

This is classic Abel – intense, long and complete. With succulent fruit characters of blackberry, cherry coulis and blueberry. Well-rounded ripe tannins and notes of black pepper and autumn leaves add complexity to the palate.

Biodynamic principles, practiced from 2011.

Organically certified since 2008, to EU equivalence.

