



## 2020 CARRICK THE 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 ultimately lead us to plant the Abel clone on a small 0.34 ha plot in 2008.

The Magnetic is destemmed to tank, fermented using a combination of pump-overs and punch-downs to manage the cap. On skins for 17 days, it is pressed, settled and racked into 5 barrels (20% new) where it aged for 10 months.

Origin: Cairnmuir Terraces, Carrick, Bannockburn

Additions: Tartaric Acid, Sulphur Dioxide

Fining/Filtration: No fining or filtration

Acidity: 5.8 g/L

Alc: 14.2%

TSO2 at bottling: 50 ppm

Bottling date: 5 March 2021

Cases: 240 six-bottle cases

*‘The 2020 Magnetic is deep, dark and brooding, with a seriously long tail and intense powerful mouthfeel. Notes of leather, coffee and dark chocolate can be found, alongside a very savoury, almost marmite-esque appeal. Good potential for ageing, with already great balance in the glass.’*

- Rosie Menzies

Organically certified since 2008, to EU equivalence.

