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Pot de Fleur Pinot Noir
Bannockburn, Central Otago, NZ



Pot de Fleur is part of our Discovery Range. First crafted in 2018, Pot de Fleur is a distinctive whole-bunch fermented Pinot Noir, named after the small, flower-pot-shaped fermenters used in its making. The label features artwork by New Zealand artist Margarita Vovna, with a textured background inspired by handmade paper crafted from upcycled ranchers' flannel, reflecting the wine's layered character.

Season Summary
A cool start to the season, reduced yields across several key blocks, whilst humid conditions mid-season triggered strong disease pressure, requiring careful vineyard management. Warm conditions in early March advanced ripening, whilst cooler weather later on, preserved freshness and acidity.

Vineyard
Carefully hand-harvested from the Triangle 777 parcel at Towan Vineyard, the nature of this wine demands meticulous hand-sorting in the vineyard to retain only the best bunches for ferment. The 0.7ha triangular block, nestled beside the olive trees, is planted on Fraser Stony Sand soils. The fruit was harvested on the 20th March 2025.

Winemaking
Whole clusters were sealed under CO_2 for five days of carbonic maceration before fermentation began. Gently foot-plunged and hand-plunged until dry, the wine matured for eight months in neutral oak barriques before being hand-bottled under cork. Made without adjustments, fining, filtration or added sulphur.

Tasting Note
"Vibrant aromatics reminiscent of red cherry, raspberry, smoke and leather. The palate has a velvety texture with soft grain tannin, good weight and depth, with notes of allspice, mint, dark chocolate, prune and cigars. Long and impressive."
- Winemaker Rosie Menzies

Technical
Total Acidity: 5.2g/L, Residual Sugar: <1 g/L,
Alcohol: 13% abv
Clone: 777
Vegan Friendly
Bottled: 29th January 2026
Cases: 390 x 6 bottle cases produced.

Recommendations
Cellaring Potential: 2025-2030
Pairing: Duck breast with plum coulis, hazelnut and fennel

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