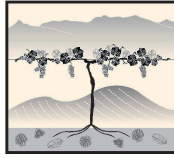


LIME ROCK



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LIME ROCK PINOT NOIR 2009

100% LIME ROCK Central Hawke's Bay Pinot Noir, grown on the limestone hills, is from a single vineyard and handpicked.

Vineyard

LIME ROCK vineyard is on the high, north-facing limestone slopes of Central Hawke's Bay, 40 kilometres south-west of Hastings. The 230-270 m. altitude helps regulate the ripening period and contributes to our distinctive and concentrated aromas. Various positions in the landscape (top, mid and bottom slopes) provide a diversity of niches and micro-climates that add to the complexity of our wines. An ecologically-based vineyard management philosophy that seeks to maintain an undisturbed soil structure is followed and we put emphasis on providing floral habitat for beneficial insects. Overall our attention to detail in site selection, viticulture and winemaking are reflected in the wine quality.

We handpick on luscious flavour, often doing part rows on various small blocks, to maximise quality. We then wait for the flavour and balance, the colour of berries and stems to develop, and look at the weather before we pick those rows again, making another batch of wine.

2009 Season

An excellent growing season with fine warm weather through to an early harvest.

Winemaking

Bunches were destemmed into small vats and cold soaked over some days before inoculation with yeast. Plunging and pumping was carried out during fermentation and MLF and aging was in premium French barriques for 8 months before blending and bottling.

Harvest 31st March – 6th April

Bottling Late February 2010
Alcohol 14.5% pH 3.76 TA 5.8g/l

2009 LIME ROCK Pinot Noir

'Youthful blackberry, cherry, plum and raspberry flavours abound on the palate along with notes of vanilla and spice from quality, well-proportioned oak. This wine shows a degree of depth of flavour in the mouth that is notably better than most of the wines in the tasting. Well-focussed wine on the mid-palate with tannins that are firm and structural. Long and sweet-fruited on the finish, this is a thoroughly enjoyable glass of New Zealand Pinot Noir.' **Wine NZ magazine, June 2010**

Top Pinot Noir over \$30 - Wine NZ magazine, Pinot Noir tasting June 2010

Silver Medal: Canberra Winewise Small Vignerons Award 2010.

Enjoy with **Rabbit Terrine** and Caramelised Onion and Fig Jam

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