


SHANNON
vineyards

ROCKNROLLA

Pinot Noir

2016

A single vineyard wine and from the oldest vineyard (est. 2000) of Pinot Noir on the farm. From the old classic Dijon clone PN 113. Named by the winemaker, Gordon Newton Johnson due to its consistent delivery year on year – it's a rocknrolla!

Technical Notes

The Pinot Noir bunches are chilled to 3°C before being sorted on a conveyor and de-stemmed. Berries are then hand sorted, before cold maceration ensues for 3 to 6 days at 8°C. Slower fermenting wild yeasts are used for the fermentation. Fermentation temperatures vary between 26 – 30°C, depending on the nature of the sites. After pressing, the wine is raked and left to complete its malolactic fermentation and maturation in oak barriques.



Styling

Considerable emphasis is placed on the vineyard expression, characteristics and identification, mainly being the soil. This vineyard expresses a range of flavours from vibrant raspberry, strawberry, currant and cherry. We respect the power and elegance delivered in this beautiful expression of a balanced bright red to darker berried flavour spectrum, delivered by the older Dijon clones PN 113 in our Shannon "RocknRolla" Pinot Noir.

Maturation

100% matured in barriques (228L) for approximately 12 months choosing 1 of 3 Burgundian cooperages available. The oak used is of a tighter grain and medium toasted. New oak – 50%, 2nd fill – 50%.

Wine Analyses

Variety:	100% Pinot Noir
Alcohol:	14.5 %
Acidity:	6.0 g/l
pH:	3.36
Residual sugar:	2.0 g/l

Clones planted:	PN 113
Rootstock:	Richter 110
Soil types:	Silica quartz encrusted Table Mountain Sandstones.
Aspect of vineyards:	South East.
Ha planted:	0.5 ha
Planting distance:	2.2m x 1m
Vines per hectare:	4545 vines
Trellis system:	Vertical shoot positioning -5-wire Hedge system.
Irrigation:	Combination of drip & micro irrigation.
Average Production:	3-4 tons per hectare (19-26 hl/ha).
Harvest dates:	last week of February and first week of March.
Altitude:	260 metres to 300 metres above sea level.
Temperature:	average growing season temperature of a cool 17,5°C.
Rainfall:	Summers are dry with abundant rainfall, mostly in the winter months.

Clone Selection:

# 14 VINEYARD PN 113:	100%
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