



## Valli Waitaki Vineyard Pinot Noir 2016

### Viticulture

Location:	Waitaki Valley, North Otago
Climate:	Maritime-influenced
Clones:	UCD 5 Dijon 115
Soils:	Limestone-based soil spread through river gravels
GDD:	Approximately 800
Rainfall:	Approximately 530mm per Annum
Vine Age:	Planted 2001
Yield:	3.9 Tonnes / Hectare
Vine Density:	5,000 / Hectare
Trellis System:	VSP

### Winemaking

Harvest Date:	21 April 2016
Brix:	23.5
Whole Bunch:	20%
Peak Fermentation Temp:	30°C
Cuvaison:	22 Days
Oak Percentage:	29% New
Time in Barrel:	11 Months
Coopers Used:	Mercurey
Fining:	None
Filtering:	None
Alcohol:	13.5%
Total Bottles Produced:	7,584

### Tasting Note

*Bright garnet hue with fresh red fruit aromas of wild strawberry, sweet cherry and raspberry with fragrant potpourri and a touch of cedar. The vibrant fruit and intriguing spice layer wonderfully with the silky fine tannins and creamy texture highlighted by an electric acidity that gives the wine tremendous energy. The warmer growing season resulted in an early harvest for the Waitaki creating a beautifully concentrated wine with a touch more tannin than in cooler years, yet still showcasing all the classic Waitaki features. A wine that is engaging, lithe and fragrant in its youth and will definitely reward cellaring.*

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