

Valli Burn Cottage Pinot Noir 2017

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Location: Lowburn, Central Otago

Climate: Semi-Continental Clones: Abel, 115, 667

Soils: Sandy loams, glacial outwash, schist-derived

Vine Age: Planted 2003

Vine Density: 5000 vines/Hectare

Harvest Date: 5th April 2017

Brix at Harvest:

Whole Bunch:

Peak Fermentation Temp:

Cuvaison:

Oak Percentages:

Coopers Used:

23.2

26%

33°C

25 Days

New 20%

Ana Selection

Fining: None
Filtering: None
Alcohol: 13.5%
Total Bottles Produced: 984

Tasting Note

The cooler growing season leading up to vintage 2017 has delivered an intensely concentrated wine with a deep garnet hue and rich fruit aromas of Black Doris plum and Romance cherry that are interwoven with savoury notes of mushroom and rosemary. The wine is highly textural and shows an earthiness that is similar to 2016 and may well be a hallmark of this Burn Cottage Vineyard. It is a fascinating journey learning about this site and subregion through very different growing seasons. We are starting to understand some significant characteristics of this place that are evident no matter what role nature plays in a given vintage. Having this birds eye view of the Burn Cottage Vineyard has resulted in Valli gaining more perspective about our own vineyards as well as helping us hone our winemaking intuition and giving us a wonderful collaborative experience.

The palate has a memorable creamy texture with fine tannin and great length. This is a powerful wine that is intriguing in its youth and will continue to evolve with great interest for 10+ years.