

<u>Valli Vineyards</u> 2008 Waitaki Pinot Noir

Viticulture

Location: Waitaki, North Otago Climate: Semi - Maritime Clones: UCD 5 / Dijon 115

Soils: Limestone based soils spread through river gravels

GDD: Aprox 970

Rainfall: 550 mm per annum

Vine Age: Planted 2001

Yield: 4 Tonnes / Hectare

Vines per hectare: 5000

Trellis System: Vertical Shoot Position

Winemaking:

Harvest Date: 12 May 2008

 Brix:
 24

 pH:
 3.69

 TA:
 6.4g/l

 Whole Bunch:
 25%

 Destemmed:
 75%

 Peak Ferment Temp:
 29 °c

Oak: 40% New, 30% 1 year, 30% 2 year Coopers: Mercurey, Saury, Cadus, François Freres

Time in Barrel: 11 Months

Fining: None

Filtration: 4 Micron (Coarse)

Alcohol %: 13 % Alc

Tasting Note: "...amazingly perfumed aromatics; talc, crushed limestone, dried herb, spice and red berry

fruit. Often not picked till mid May the grapes benefit from a long "hang time" before harvest producing wines with very fine, ripe integrated tannins and incredible length of

flavour."

Grant Taylor