

Reserve Maude

Mt Maude Wanaka Pinot Noir 2023

Vintage Summary

The growing season began slightly later for the Mount Maude Vineyard, thankfully as early October was riddled with Spring frosts. November and December were warmer than usual but wetter also. All spare hands were called to the vineyard to ensure canopies were uncluttered and open, preventing the inevitable mildews which thrive in the warmer, humid conditions. Seeing in the New Year, also saw in a change in weather, out with the rain, in with the typical Central Otago summer, warm and dry. Mother nature turned on us in mid Feb, nail-biting frosts and regular significant rainfalls. Slowly and surely, we got there, with Mohawk Hill being predominantly harvested in early to mid-April, Mount Maude later in April and Poison Creek just beyond that. All in all, our sum up of the growing season would be desperately long but through good vineyard practise and patience, we have wines in bottle or the cellar which we are immensely proud of, ones which speak openly from where they have their feet in the soil and one's which promise to deliver.

Mt Maude Vineyard—Wanaka Family owner and operated since 1994

Savoury earthy spice / dark fruits / violets and bramble / silky & structured / length and complexity

Harvest date: 23rd April 2023 Bottling date: 5th March 2024 Quantity bottled: 1,646 bottles Alcohol 14%

pH 3.69 Acidity 6.0 g / L

Main Block Pinot Noir 1.25 Ha 360m elevation / vine age 29 years Dry grown / clone 10 / 5 50% whole cluster / minimal pigéage 23 days maceration / basket pressed Maturation 10 + years

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