

## Burn Cottage Valli Vineyard 2021 Pinot Noir Gibbston, Central Otago

Finished wine detail:	рН 3.75
	TA 4.9 g/L
	Alc 12.5%
Date Harvested:	15 <sup>th</sup> April 2021
Average Brix at harvest:	22.3
Whole cluster percentage:	none
New oak percentage:	33%
Oak Cooperage :	Damy
Time in fermenter:	15 days
Vineyard and subregion:	100% Valli Vineyard, Gibbston
Composition by clone:	CL5 - 32%
	115 - 32%
	777 - 36%
Vine Age:	22 years
Plant density:	4050 vines/Ha

<u>Vintage Notes:</u> In general the region had a very warm dry spring, although a little frost fighting was required during some colder weather systems. The changeable weather affected flowering in and crops were low, with the characteristic 'hen and chicken' berry variation in small loose bunches. January had some instances of rain and a high wind run, however from February conditions settled and we had favourably warm, dry weather through to harvest.

<u>Winemaker Tasting Notes:</u> One of our dear friends in Central Otago is Grant Taylor, the former winemaker of Gibbston Valley Vineyards and proprietor of Valli Vineyards, one of the great producers of Central Otago. Grant is an iconic figure in Central, equally beloved for his wonderful wines and his quick wit. In late 2013 we decided that it would be great fun to swap grapes from each other's estate vineyard and make the wines, with each of us vineyard designating the result. This is the seventh vintage that we have made a collaboration wine. In our view, there is no finer vineyard in the Gibbston region than Grant's. The professionalism, care and love which go into the management of this site are exemplary.

The 2021 Burn Cottage Valli Vineyard has bright, focused aromatics with rose petal, red fruits and savoury wild herbs. A wonderfully supple palate with concentrated fruit, fine structure and persistence. Enjoyable now, this wine will also reward cellaring for 7-10 years.