

ZOSIA PINOT NOIR Rosé 2022



pH - 3.19 TA - 7.3 g/L RS - 1.4 g/L Alc - 13%

Total SO2 - 82 ppm

Vineyard - Raupo Creek Clones - 10/5 Pinot Noir Yield - 6 Tonnes/ hectare

Oak - 3 months

Certified Organic

Suitable for Vegans

Tasting Notes

A truly charming and graceful Rosé that has been crafted to wholly represent a small, special plot of Pinot Noir within the Raupo Creek vineyard. Highly aromatic, brimming with classic Pinot Noir Rosé notes of wild berry fruits, and ripe orchard fruits. Exudes elegance and purity on the palate, yet is highly textural and layered. Finishes dry, with a refreshing acidity that creates tension and completes the wine.

Winemaking

Pristine Pinot Noir grapes, all from a single plot in the Raupo Creek vineyard, were hand-picked under cool morning conditions. The fruit was loaded directly into the press, gently pressed and settled overnight naturally, then racked to neutral oak barriques. Wild fermentation took place and the batch remained on full lees for three months after fermentation, prior to racking and a sulphur addition. As a result, partial malolactic fermentation has taken place, also wild. The wine was then blended and filtered, prior to bottling.

Vintage

2022 will be remembered for its challenging nature, which kept us on our toes after a run of remarkably effortless vintages in a row. Dry, stable weather over flowering lead to an abundant fruit set, and with consistent small rain events we enjoyed fantastic vigour across the whole vineyard. Leading into the harvest period the region endured some significant rainfall events, which increased berry and bunch size, but also disease pressure, unfortunately. Luckily we had an excellent team working tirelessly in the vineyard to mitigate this and also crop thin throughout the whole vineyard, with an extra focus on the Pinot Noir. We started picking Pinot Noir on 16th March and finished picking with a botrytis style Riesling on 19th May.

It must be said, after the early and fast and furious nature of the previous vintages, a vintage that was a touch later and spread out between each variety was really welcomed. With a great picking team and a focus solely on the Raupo Creek vineyard, we were able to pick each plot before any real disease pressure took a hold.

Viticulture

Our clay rich Raupo Creek vineyard, farmed following organic and biodynamic principles is located in the centre of the Omaka Valley. This vineyard has a gentle north-west facing aspect and enjoys high sunshine hours and minimal rain.



