



Seifried
FAMILY WINEMAKERS

NELSON PINOT NOIR 2023



Awards

91 Points - Sam Kim, Wine Orbit, February 2024

Wine Analysis

Vineyard: Seifried Rabbit Island and Brightwater Vineyards

Sugar at Harvest: 23.7°Brix

Date of Harvest: Mid - Late March 2023

pH of Wine: 3.68

T.A of Wine: 4.8g/L

Suitable for Vegetarians and Vegans: Yes

The Vineyard

Our Rabbit Island vineyard is situated on a wide river flat. The soil is gravelly loam which is very sandy and free draining. These vineyards are about 1.5 kilometres from the sea which helps moderate temperatures.

Our Brightwater vines are grown in an extremely stony area of the vineyard where water and nutrient levels are low. This helps us to restrict the plants vigour and to crop at low levels. Our Brightwater Vineyard is situated 15km from the coast and is sheltered from the south by the Richmond ranges. The 'soil' is a combination of rocks and boulders which is very hard on the farm equipment but vital for holding the warmth of Nelson's sun and for ripening the Pinot Noir grapes.

"It's splendidly fruited and fragrant on the nose, showing dark plum, thyme, clove and toasted nut aromas. The palate delivers succulent fruit intensity with supple texture and plenty of fine-grained tannins, finishing sturdy and lingering. At its best: now to 2027."

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Winemakers Note

The fruit in our 2023 Seifried Nelson Pinot Noir comes from both our Rabbit Island and Brightwater vineyards where our Pinot Noir vines are well over thirty years in age and are showing great maturity and depth of flavour.

Parcels of fruit were picked incrementally in March 2023 at the peak of flavour and phenolic ripeness. The de-stemmed fruit had a brief cold maceration period before individual parcels were inoculated for fermentation. Throughout fermentation plunging occurred twice daily and was tapered off to once daily as the fermentation neared completion. The young wine was drained to new, one and two year old French barriques for malolactic fermentation and barrel ageing. The wine was stabilised and bottled in January 2024.

Tasting Note

The 2023 Seifried Nelson Pinot Noir comes from our mature and light yielding vines which carried only a very modest crop in 2023. The nose has dense berry fruit and star anise characters. The palate has generous weight and brooding rich berry fruit flavours. The tannins are youthful and generous to support the opulent fruit palate.

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