



Life.Land.Legacy.



2020 Te Kano Pinot Noir

The Life Series captures the essence of Te Kano’s Estate vineyards, using parcels of fruit from across our subregions to give a snapshot of the season and our unique expression of Central Otago.

A deep and brooding Pinot Noir with aromas of black cherry and plum, baking spice and tobacco. Black cherry, cocoa and orange peel follow through on the palate with spicy oak nuances and a distinctive dried herb bouquet.

Vintage

The 2020 season started cool and dry, with warmer Summer temperatures leading into a long, warm Autumn. The season delivered lower yields of small berries, with excellent ripeness and flavour concentration.

Vineyards

A combination of our Central Otago subregions. Northburn shows fine boned acidity, pure fresh fruit flavours and a crystalline minerality derived from Schist based soils, while Bannockburn gives riper black fruit notes, structured tannins and mid palate weight.

Varietal

100% Pinot Noir, clones Abel, 943, 5, 667, 777, 828, 115, 113 and MV6.

Winemaking

Vineyard parcels were individually hand harvested and destemmed to open top fermenters. Gentle hand plunging over a period of 10 - 28 days aided the extraction of fine, delicate tannins, along with varying percentages of whole bunches in the fermentation lending sinewy tannin and excellent aging potential. The wine was matured in French oak barrels for 11 months with around 24% new oak used.

Cellaring.....Drink now to 10+ years
Serving.....Serve at 16°C

Technical Data

pH3.61
TA.....5.6
Residual Sugar.....0
Brix.....23-23.8
Alcohol.....14% v/v