

Alexandra Wine Company alex gold pinot noir 2018



ALEXANDRA WINE COMPANY

The Davishon Vineyard is situated on the terrace above the Clutha River between Alexandra and Clyde in Central Otago. Grapes have been growing here for 130 years. Jean Desire Ferauds produced the first grapes in Central Otago here in the 1860's. He could see that the hot summer days and relatively cool nights would produce world class wines. Soils are free draining river gravels and the summer/autumn rainfall is very low. The philosophy of viticulturist and winemaker is low volume/high quality "to produce the best Pinot Noir possible!" The vines are grown on a Geneva Double Curtain exposing fruit well and producing unique flavours.

The label shows a gold stylised Central Otago schist rock (made famous in scenes from the Lord of Rings) depicting the dry harsh environments and the history of gold in the valleys and mountains of the region.

WINEMAKING NOTES

The fruit was hand harvested on 25th and 26th March 2018. The fruit was destemmed into stainless steel tanks before being inoculated with selected wine yeasts to carry out the fermentation. The wine was aged in French Oak barrels for approximately 10 months, of which 25% was new oak.

WINE ANALYSIS

Brix 23

Alcohol 13.7%

pH 3.60

Harvest Date 25th and 26th March 2018

Bottling Date 18th March 2019

TASTING NOTES

Medium dark purple with purple hues.

Fragrant with smoky spice, bramble, liquorice, cherries and violets.

Lovely fruit driven entry, with sweet ripe red cherry, plum, blackberries and Christmas spice. Medium bodied with fine grain tannins, gentle acidity, good minerality and a long dark berry finish.