

# Vale Pinot Noir

2022 | PISA

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Earthy  
Plum  
Silky

From Vale, you look out to the gentle rolling hills that lead up into the glacial slopes and grandeur of the Pisa Range. This is big sky country full of wonder and inspiration. One of its first custodians loved lilies and grew them in her garden. Today you'll find them in and amongst our woolshed gardens. A symbol of purity and rejuvenation. Each year this organic vineyard shows itself in a new light and its story is told in our Vale Pinot Noir.

## Vintage Notes

Overall, a warm and settled growing season, with little to no high winds, no major frost events and very good soil moisture leading into late 2021. Weekly rain events throughout November took the vines into premium conditions for canopy growth. Flowering conditions were perfect, with warm dry weather over this crucial period. In turn, the fruit was very even in ripeness within the bunches. Autumn was settled and warm, and harvest was very busy and fast-paced. A stellar vintage with very high quality fruit and fantastic crop loads, which were easily ripened by our lush, large canopies.

## Winemakers Notes

Notes of red berries, boysenberry and Black Doris plums - classic notes for wines from the Pisa subregion. Silky tannins, soft and subtle wine overall.

Sourced from our Vale Vineyard in the Pisa subregion of Central Otago, which was Certified Organic in March 2021. Organic farming demands proactive management. Extensive inputs such as hand leaf plucking and shoot positioning ensures open canopies for disease prevention and enhanced fruit development.

## Technical Notes

Composition: 100% Pinot Noir

Clones: 115

Oak: 10 months, 30% new

## Vinification

Clone 115 from the lovely Vale Vineyard.

30 days on skins, 20% whole bunch fermentation. Pressed gently and racked to barrel, 30% new oak. Aged in barrel for 10 months, before blending. Left to settle in tank before bottling.



Vineyard/s	Harvest Date	Bottling Date	Qty Bottled	Clone	Alc	TA	Residual Sugar
Vale - Pisa	21 March 2022	15 February 2023	195 x 96 cases	115	13.5%	5.7	0

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