



WAIPARA HILLS

Established in 2001, Waipara Hills is an award winning wine range from the South Island of New Zealand. Recipient to over 500 medals Waipara Hills has developed a fine reputation for crafting rich aromatics, with vibrant, complex flavour.

The Waipara Hills Cellar Door is located in the picturesque Waipara Valley, a short scenic drive north of Christchurch. Set amongst landscaped gardens, with spectacular views across The Home Block Vineyard to the Teviotdale Hills, our home captures the 'Soul of the South'.



PINOT NOIR

VINEYARD REGION

Sourced from Waipara Valley vineyard sites with deep free draining gravel soils, with the exception of the Dunnolly vineyard which is on deep rich clay soils.

VINTAGE CONDITIONS

A frost in Spring reduced crops and delayed the start of the season. Thankfully, a bright and warm summer followed, allowing the vines to catch up and produce a darker flavoured Pinot Noir than what we typically see from our Waipara vineyards. Calm weather in Autumn provided great harvest conditions.

VINIFICATION

The fruit was de-stemmed, retaining whole berries and cold soaked for five days before being gradually warmed. Fermentation started with a range of yeasts and ran for approximately seven days, during which the wine was plunged three times a day and drained and returned at least once. Some of the ferments were left on skins for an additional two-three weeks before being drained, pressed and settled. Finally the wine went to a selection of barrels and tanks for maturation and MLF. In November the parcels were racked, blended and fined ready for bottling.

WINE:	2015 Waipara Hills Waipara Valley Pinot Noir
COLOUR:	Bright garnet, red
NOSE:	Dark cherry and red currant fruit characters with an enticing earthiness and a hint of French oak.
PALATE:	A burst of rich, dark fruit unfolds to savoury oak and a structured finish.
SERVE:	At room temperature with slow cooked Spanish lamb finished with saffron, smoked paprika and garlic.
CELLARING:	This wine is made to be really enjoyable young, but will develop and become more complex over the coming years.
ANALYSIS:	ALC 13.0 % ACIDITY (TA): 6.45 pH 3.58

“This darker flavoured Pinot has firm tannins, yet a silky texture that will delight”



Simon McGeorge,
Waipara Hills Winemaker

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