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# DELIVERANCE PINOT NOIR 2019

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Light ruby red in colour, this Pinot Noir reveals layered aromas in the glass of red summer fruit, florals and spice. The palate is juicy and bright, with soft tannins and a long flavoursome finish.

## VITICULTURIST'S NOTES

North Canterbury grows some of New Zealand's most coveted wine grapes. We sourced the Pinot Noir grapes from two North Canterbury vineyards. These were predominantly from Dijon clones, vines are spur-pruned and carefully managed to allow dappled light into the fruit zone, which assists with retention of natural acid and delicate aromatics.

**Harvest Date:** 3 April 2019

**Brix:** 22 & 23.6

**pH:** 3.36 & 3.42

**TA:** 7.95g/L

## WINEMAKER'S NOTES

The fruit was ripe and flavoursome with thicker than usual skins in this 2019 vintage, due to the dry seasonal conditions. We therefore handled the fruit very gently to extract in a subtle way. The fruit was wild fermented in open top vats and allowed about one month macerating, before we slowly pressed the new wine to French oak barrels. The wine matured for 9 months in barrels, going through natural MLF over the warmer months, before we blended ready for bottling.

*90 Points Bob Campbell MW*

**Alcohol:** 14% | **TA:** 7.5g/L | **pH:** 3.61