SPY VALLEY

ENVOY *Johnson Vineyard*

PINOT NOIR 2016

Region	Marlborough, New Zealand	
Vineyard	Johnson Vineyard, Lower Waihopai Valley - clay and windblown loess over free draining alluvial gravel.	
Viticulture	Viticulturist – Adam McCone. Vertical shoot positioning, shoot and bunch thinning to restrict yield. Clone 10-5.	
Winemaking	Winemakers – Paul Bourgeois, Kathy-Lee Sowman and Richelle Collier. Handpicked in the cool of morning, the grapes naturally fermented and were hand plunged in open vats over several weeks. A portion of the bunches were left as whole bunches. After draining to barrels for 18 months, barrels were selected and blended for further ageing, then blended before bottling 24 months after harvest.	
Vintage	2016 was excellent for Pinot Noir. Dry conditions without excessive heat meant the Pinot Noir had small crops with great concentration.	
Technical	Pick dates:	5 April 2016
	Brix	24.3 Brix
	Alcohol	14 %
	Acid	p.H 3.70, T.A 4.9 g/L
	Residual sugar	1.2 g/L
Aroma	Restrained cherry, sundried tomato and raspberry.	
Palate	Youthful and focused, with a sweet fruited front palate. A long, very fine tannin structure that combines suppleness with power.	
Cellaring	Always a little restrained in its youth, this wine should unfold past 2020 to show its more soft, generous side. Confidently cellar through to 2026.	

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