

Mt Difficulty Single Vineyard Long Gully Pinot Noir 2008

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Winemaking Considerations

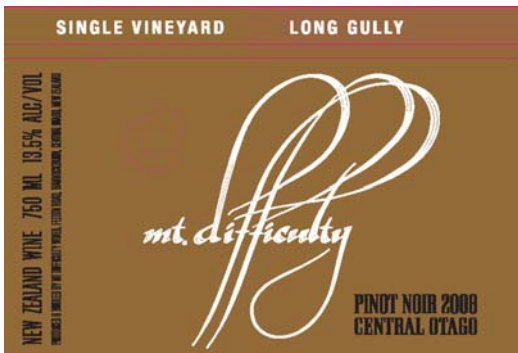
The fruit for this wine was harvested from our Long Gully vineyard between the 8th and 11th of April. The majority of fruit was de-stemmed, 60% of the final wine had 20% whole clusters during fermentation. The ferments typically underwent a period of 8 days pre-fermentation maceration at ~10⁰C. Fermentation took a period of 6 days with a maximum temperature of 35⁰C, the wine sat on skins for a further 7 days till tasting in harmony. The wine was punched down once per day during pre-fermentation; three times per day during fermentation and once to twice per day during post maceration. The wine was settled overnight after pressing and racked to barrel where it stayed for 14 months. The wine underwent malolactic fermentation in the spring and was racked out of barrel in June. The wine was not filtered or fined before bottling in September.

Alc: 13.5%

Tit. Acidity: 5.5gL⁻¹

pH: 3.6

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