



AKARUA
CENTRAL OTAGO



Dry Riesling 2021 Central Otago

REGION

Region: Central Otago
Sub Region: Bannockburn

VINEYARD

Cairnmuir Road 83%
Vineyard block: Redback Ridge
Aspect: north/west facing terrace
Row orientation: north/south
Soil: weakly structured light alluvial soils overlaying schist rock
Vine age 16 years
Trellis System: VSP
Pruning: Cane

Felton Terraces Vineyard 17%
Block: Maia

Aspect: north/northwest sloping
Row orientation: east-west
Soil: weakly structured light alluvial soils overlaying schist rock
Elevation: 270m
Vine age: 24years
Trellis system & pruning: VSP, spur

VINTAGE NOTES

Growing conditions: Following a winter with low rainfall, it was a dry start to the season. Heavy rains on January first (100ml) were a great relief and boosted fruit set and berry weight. Warm settled weather through late Feb and early March continued through harvest, and with little threat from frosts or stoppages from rain, ensured the fruit arrived evenly at the winery in excellent condition.

Grower Degree Days: 1110
Rainfall: 266 ml Sept-April

VINIFICATION

Whole bunch pressed
Yeast: inoculated/wild
Fermentation: stainless steel, cool – less than 13C
Vegan

TASTING NOTE

Pale golden colour. Complex nose of jasmine, honeysuckle and gunflint. Palate follows through with pink grapefruit, apple and white stonefruit. Fruit concentrated structure with taut, bright acidity and mandarin peel on the finish.

Winemakers Notes:

"Our 2021 Dry Riesling is a blend of our Riesling blocks from both sides of Bannockburn. Cairnmuir Road brings fleshy fruit character and the Felton Road side contributes fine florals and mineral notes."
Cellaring through 2027+

TECHNICAL ANALYSIS

Winemaker: Andrew Keenleyside
Viticulturist: Mark Naismith
Harvest date: 15th April 2020
Bottling date: Sept 2021
Brix at Harvest: 22.5
Alcohol: 12.5%
Residual Sugar: 3.12 g/l
Titrateable Acidity: 6.7
pH: 2.95

