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RUA Pinot Rosé 2020 Central Otago

VINEYARDS – BANNOCKBURN & PISA

Bannockburn-

Cairnmuir Road 28%

Cliff's Terrace, Riverview, Southview, Cairnmuir Rise

Clones: 5, 115

Row orientation: East / West

Soil: Very sandy fine schist with free draining loams

Vine age: 18-24 years old

Trellising & pruning: VSP, spur

Felton Road 35%

Kofiuia

Clones: 5

Aspect: North/north west sloping elevated glacial terrace

Row orientation: east/west

Soil: weakly structured light alluvial soils overlaying schist rock

Elevation: 270m

Vine age: 23 years

Trellis system & pruning: VSP, spur

Pisa -

25 Steps 19%

Clones: 5, 6, 115

Aspect: Steep terraced vineyard, highly undulating

Row orientation: east/west

Soil: weakly structured light alluvial soils overlaying schist rock

Elevation: 270m

Vine age: 19 years

Trellis system & pruning: VSP, spur

Lilyvale, deBettencor 18%

Clones: 6, 5, 777

Aspect: flat and level river terrace

Row Orientation: north/south

Soil: fine silt loam over schist based alluvial gravels

Vine Age: 24 years

Trellis & pruning: VSP, spur

VINIFICATION

Cold Soak: 5-10days

Ferment Vessel: 100% tank

Yeast: Inoculated

Fermentation Temp: 13-15°

VINTAGE

Growing conditions: Higher winds and cooler temperatures through Oct to early January affected flowering and fruit set, leading to variation in ripening across the estate and lower natural yields. Summer arrived briefly in February and helped lift the seasons growing degree days (GDD) and earlier disease concerns were alleviated by the third driest March seen since 1985 (only 6mm fell). Our fruit arrived to the winery from March the 12th until April the 28th in excellent condition. Some similarities to the growing season of 2017 have been noted, spurring discussion amongst the team of another year of exceptional, award-winning wines!

Grower Degree Days: 952

Rainfall: 289 ml Oct-April

TASTING NOTE

Wildly exotic floral bouquet of jasmine, lily, magnolia and rose, with ripe strawberries, watermelon and cardamom. The centre palate is creamy and concentrated with fine skin tannins and balancing bright and juicy acidity.

Winemaker's Notes:

"The complexity in our 2020 Rua Pinot Rosé comes from diverse vineyard selection across two sub regions - Bannockburn and Pisa. The Pisa vineyards brings energy and tension to the acid structure; and the Bannockburn vineyards contribute fruit richness and character. The parent material of the soil here is schist; ground up over time, giving the wine a spine of minerality and glacial purity."

TECHNICAL ANALYSIS

Viticulturist: Mark Naismith

Winemaker: Andrew Keenleyside

Harvest date: 12th-29th March 20

Brix at Harvest: 19-21

Alcohol: 13 %

Residual Sugar: 7.67 g/l

Titrateable Acidity: 6.3

Bottled: July 2020

PH: 3.49

