

GREAT HEART

2023 Great Heart Pinot Noir

Variety: 100% Pinot Noir

Wine of Origin: Ceres

Source of Grapes:

The grapes for our Ceres Pinot Noir come from a very special high-altitude vineyard planted on south-facing slopes at 1 060 meters above sea level in the Ceres mountains. This site consists of very deep and well drained soils where winter temperatures often drop to below freezing point and the cooler evenings and warmer days during summer contribute to this wine's primary red berry fruit and firm tannin structure.

Date(s) Harvested:

The grapes were hand-harvested in the morning of 8 March 2023 and yielded 6 tons/ha, which translated to 34 HL/ha.

Winemaking:

This Pinot Noir was crushed to tank whole-bunch and cold soaked for three days before the onset of indigenous fermentation. Temperatures during fermentation were kept below 28°C and no sulphur or other additives were added. After two weeks the wine was pressed to older French oak barrels for malolactic fermentation and maturation.

Maturation:

During the winter season of 2023, the wine matured for six months in 500L French Oak barrels which ensured excellent development of the fine tannins that are naturally present in this delicate grape variety.

Tasting Note:

Our Ceres Pinot Noir is ruby red in colour with a perfumed nose of fresh raspberry and blood plum. It shows crunchy black cherries and attractive layers of earthiness and spice on entry, finishing with well-balanced acidity and a beautiful fresh core. It would be best served at 12 to 14°C and pair exceptionally well with sautéed duck or a classic meatball marinara pasta. This wine is vegan friendly.

Technical Details at Bottling:

Alcohol 14.66% - RS 2,9 g/l - TA 4.7 g/l - pH 3.57

