



CENTRAL OTAGO PINOT NOIR 2010

Cable Bay Vineyards is dedicated to crafting exquisite wines known for their subtlety, elegance and depth. Taking an Old World approach and combining it with New World techniques, Cable Bay's opulent wines are a stylish reflection of the land where they began.

Central Otago is one of New Zealand's most exciting wine regions and the combination of premium quality hand-picked fruit and traditional winemaking has resulted in a wine displaying attractive complexity and finesse.

WINEMAKER	Neill Culley
VARIETY	100% Pinot Noir
VINTAGE	2010
REGION	Central Otago
VINEYARDS	North facing vineyard on shores of Lake Dunstan
ALCOHOL	13.5%
SWEETNESS	Dry
FERMENTATION/AGING	Combination of new and old French oak
CELLARING POTENTIAL	Best enjoyed upon release and over the next 5 years

TASTING NOTE

An intriguing wine displaying a perfumed nose of dark and red cherry fruit complemented by subtle spice notes. A complex palate with great fruit tannin balance, finishing with a silky texture.

FOOD MATCH

Cable Bay Head Chef suggests serving this wine with confit duck leg.

VINEYARDS

Cable Bay Central Otago Pinot Noir comes from a north-westerly facing vineyard which gently slopes down to Lake Dunstan. Sheltered from the east and the south by the Dunstan mountain range, the vineyard has its own special climate in which the grapes can thrive. A hot and dry grape growing season with a large diurnal temperature change (warm days, cool nights) makes the vineyard ideally suited to the production of high quality Pinot Noir.

WINEMAKING

The grapes were hand harvested and gently crushed into open-top fermenters. Before fermentation, the crushed grapes are cold soaked for several days to gently extract colour and tannin. Regular hand-plunging was used during fermentation to avoid extracting aggressive phenolics which would detract from the elegance of the finished wine. The free run wine only is then run off to French oak barriques for maturation. The final blend is bottled with only minimal filtration.