

Three Miners

VINEYARDS



Winemaking Notes for Three Miners 2006 Pinot Noir

VARIETY:	Pinot Noir	VINTAGE:	2006
WINEMAKER:	Dean Shaw	REGION:	Central Otago, New Zealand
ALCOHOL:	13.5%	TOTAL ACIDITY:	5.4
WINEMAKING:	Harvest dates: 4 – 18 April 2006. Bottling date: 28-30 March 2007		

Picked from the Three Miners McPherson Road and Earnscleugh Road vineyards. 100% Pinot Noir Grapes.

Predominantly clones: 114, 115, 5, 6, 10/5, 667, 777

Aged in French oak for 10 months. Cases produced: 4018 cases

The pinot was picked into twelve very distinct lots and fermented separately in stainless steel open top fermenters.

25% whole bunch on average for texture and extraction of more tannin.

7-10 days cold soak at 8-12°Celsius

Indigenous yeast was used to ferment the wines to dryness the wines were hand plunged three times a day.

7-10 days of fermentation with a peak temperature of 34° Celsius

Post maceration 7-10 days at an average 20-25° Celsius

The wines spent a total of 25 days on skins, to extract structure, colour, aromatics and finesse.

The wines were then gently drained and pressed to 225 litre french oak barriques of which 33% were new 3 year air dried French oak and the remainder one and two years older.

The wines then rested and matured for ten months on yeast lees. 100% malolactic fermentation naturally occurred in spring. The wines were then racked and blended before undergoing minimal fining and minimal filtration, then bottling. Hence the wines may throw a natural sediment, so please be aware especially when pouring the last glass.

THREE MINERS PINOT NOIR 2006:

Red cherry, redcurrant and spicy aromas. An elegant, silky finely structured mouthfeel with good warmth, length and depth.

Three Miners Pinot Noir 2006 ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆

Floral, vibrantly fruity Central Otago red with cherry and spice flavours gently seasoned with toasty oak and ripe, supple tannins. Youthful, with fresh acidity and lots of silky charm. *"Michael Cooper's Recent Releases"*



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