

—TWO— PADDOCKS



PRODUCER PROFILE

Estate owned by: Sam Neill
Winemaker: Dean Shaw
Total acreage under vine: 50
Estate founded: 1993
Winery production: 84,000 Bottles
Region: Central Otago
Country: New Zealand

Two Paddocks The First Paddock Pinot Noir 2017

WINE DESCRIPTION

"We grow our premium Two Paddocks Pinot Noir entirely on our four small vineyards in Central Otago. In some *exceptional* vintages, listening carefully, we realize that one of these sites may have something extraordinary to say in its own right. It is only then that we will make one of these very rare single vineyard wines." Sam Neill, Proprietor

ABOUT THE VINEYARD

The First Paddock is our original much loved Two Paddocks vineyard. Planted in 1993, it is now one of the older blocks in Central Otago. Superbly situated in the midst of upper Gibbston, planted in carefully selected Burgundian clone pinot noir vines and meticulously tended. This is a thoughtfully crafted expression of our foundation site. Sourced from the first twenty-five rows of Clone 5.

WINE PRODUCTION

Hand harvested and sorted then a 50% whole bunch indigenous ferment in a dedicated First Paddock French oak cuve. Matured in 30% new French oak with the balance in older wood for an extended 14 months of barrel maturation.

TASTING NOTES

Begonia, spice, wild herb and blue fruit aromatics on the nose, leads into a mineral infused palate showing elegance, great texture and depth.

VINEYARD & PRODUCTION INFO

Vineyard name:	The First Paddock
Elevation:	1300 feet feet
Year vineyard planted:	1993
Harvest time:	April 2017
Bottles produced of this wine:	1,320

WINEMAKING & AGING

Varietal composition:	100% Pinot Noir
Fermentation container:	Barrels
Type of aging container:	Barrels
Age of aging container:	30% New
Type of oak:	French
Length of aging before bottling:	14 months

ANALYTICAL DATA

Alcohol:	12.5 %
pH level:	3.6
Acidity:	6.1 g/L