



2013 PIONEER SERIES *Pinot Noir*

Shaky Bridge Pioneer Series wines are crafted to deliver a high quality entry point to the distinctive style of our wines. A 'younger sister' brand to our top tier Shaky Bridge Artisan Series, our Pioneer Series wines offer excellent grape typicity, flavor and value for money in each wine. We don't believe in compromising on quality at any pricing tier.

Winemakers Tasting Notes

The first thing that gets you is the color. Dark. Inky. Opaque. The wine sits heavy in the glass. You know there's an experience about to happen. The aromas are full of cocoa, blackberry, blueberry and smoky, vanilla laden oak. The weight on the tongue is impressive; the ripe fruit engulfs your palate with a richness you'd expect from a much more expensive wine. The finish is seductive; long; perfectly complete. You want for more. Oh how we loved our 2012 Pioneer Series Pinot Noir. Oh how wonderfully happy we are to welcome our 2013 of the same name. So good to have you here my friend!

Winemaker

David Grant (NZ)
Dave Hook (USA)

Harvest Date

April/May 2013

Vineyards

Home Block, Terrace

Total Production

2,000 cases



Wine Analysis

Alcohol 13.5%, TA 5.6g/l, RS 0g/l

Winemaking Notes

We destemmed and lightly crushed high quality Pinot Noir grapes from 4 different source blocks in to stainless steel tanks for a cold soak period of 7 days.

Primary fermentation took place at warm temperatures, and we 'pumped over' several times a day to achieve maximum color and flavor extraction.

Malolactic took place in a mixture of old and newer French Oak barrels, with a maturation period of 10 months in barrel. We cold stabilized and lightly filtered the wine before bottling.

Shaky Bridge Wines is located in the stunningly beautiful Alexandra Basin of Central Otago, New Zealand. Our source vineyards are situated below the Southern 45th Parallel in the southern most winegrowing region on the globe. Our location is ideally suited to the creation of the aromatic varieties of white wines alongside our primary variety ; Pinot Noir.

Sourcing fruit from 6 distinct blocks, varying in age from 10 - 30+ years, Shaky Bridge Wines owns one of the oldest Pinot Noir vineyards in Central Otago. The various locations, soil types and clones used within each block provides our winemaker, Dave Grant, with a virtual painters pallet of flavors to create multi dimensional wines of exceptional quality, depth and satisfaction.

