



HOUSE OF TOWNEND

Felton Road Bannockburn Pinot Noir 2022

Price	£48.95
Code	FELT535

This is a first class Pinot Noir, one of the best examples outside Burgundy. Organic and biodynamic, the estate is a slave to meticulous winemaking and the quality of the wines is stratospheric. Bannockburn 2022 is another huge success, ready to drink now and for a decade or so. It doesn't get much better than this!

Tasting Notes:

A vivid nose of deep florals: dark roses, violets, and an undertow of ripe red fruit. The palate really shows the best of each vineyard that makes up the cuvée. A pure but powerful drive of fruit on a perfect cusp of ripeness, with complexing notes of sandalwood and spice. This is all about harmony and balance with the transparency of fruit allowing the detail to shine through. Silken tannins finish the package.





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Specification	
Vinification	The unique gravity flow winery enabled the grapes to be gently destemmed directly into open-top fermenters without pumping, retaining 20% as whole clusters. Traditional fermentation with a moderately long maceration on skins has extracted good colour and tannin with considerable depth of flavour. This wine was aged for 13 months in 25% new French oak barrels from artisan Burgundian coopers. In accordance with our noninterventionalist approach to winemaking, this wine was fermented with indigenous yeast and malolactic, and was not fined or filtered.
ABV	14%
Size	75cl
Drinking Window	Drink now through to 2033
Country	New Zealand
Region	Central Otago
Area	Bannockburn
Type	Red Wine
Grapes	Pinot Noir
Genres	Biodynamic, Fine Wine, Organic, Vegan, Vegetarian
Vintage	2022
Body	Elegant, refined and supple
Producer	Felton Road
Producer Overview	Beginning with meticulous site selection and vineyard design which started in 1991, Felton Road's story is one of refusal to compromise.
Closure Type	Screw Cap
Food Matches	The supple richness of New Zealand Pinot Noir complements a range of savoury dishes. Try it alongside game birds such as quail, turkey, and duck, with a fillet of salmon, or equally with pork, veal, lamb or venison.
Press Comments	Lovely seductive aromas of perfectly ripe strawberries with fresh flowers and orange. Medium body, very fine with orange peel and cherries as well as stone and hints of bark. Already delicious. A blend of their four vineyards. From biodynamically grown grapes with Demeter certification. Drink or hold. Screw cap. Rating: 94 James Suckling, www.jamessuckling.com (Oct 2023)