# The Real Review

### ALLIANCE

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## FELTON ROAD WINES BLOCK 5 PINOT NOIR 2022

97/100 ★★★★★

A deliciously accessible Block 5 with intense ripe cassis, dark cherry, black-fleshed plum, vanilla and floral/rose petal flavours and a layer of anise/thyme. Perfectly balanced wine with good cellaring potential.

Drink: 2024-2031

### FELTON ROAD WINES CALVERT PINOT NOIR 2022

95/100

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Delicately scented pinot noir with floral/rose petal, dried herb, mixed spices, chocolate box and teasing complexity supported by a structure of gentle tannins. Seductively drinkable, smooth-textured wine that lacks its usual precision.

Drink: 2024-2032

#### FELTON ROAD WINES BLOCK 6 CHARDONNAY 2022

97/100

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Rich, ripe and quite concentrated chardonnay with mineral/oyster shell influence together with subtle oak and nutty yeast lees characters. The oak influence certainly adds complexity and texture but shifts the focus away from purity.

Drink: 2024-2029

## **FELTON ROAD WINES BLOCK 2 CHARDONNAY 2022**

96/100

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Taut, linear, chardonnay with energy and precise power. Subtle white wildflowers compete for attention with citrus fruits including lime zest, yellow grapefruit and lemon curd. Initially shy, the wine quickly opened up revealing savoury, nutty yeast lees.

Drink: 2024-2028

#### FELTON ROAD WINES BLOCK 1 RIESLING 2023

98/100

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Fine-boned riesling with lime/citrus and wildflower flavours together with impressive purity and power. This really is a thoroughbred riesling that can be enjoyed upon release or carefully cellared for 20-30 years.

Drink: 2024-2046

#### FELTON ROAD WINES BANNOCKBURN RIESLING 2023

97/100

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An impeccable combination of subtle sweetness and mouth-watering acidity with the best characters of both displayed to their full advantage. Take your pick and enjoy the tangy, vibrant flavours at their youthful best or allow to mellow for a few years in the bottle to expose the wine's toasty complexity.

Drink: 2024-2032

## **FELTON ROAD WINES DRY RIESLING 2023**

96/100

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This wine is dry but it is certainly not austere and, in fact, is deliciously accessible for a one-year-old Central Otago riesling. Concentrated wine with real power and impressive mineral characters. Lime cordial and a suggestion of white wildflowers.

Drink: 2024-2032