



FELTON ROAD



Dec/Jan 2022

WINE TO CELLAR

2020 Felton Road Block 3 Pinot Noir,
Central Otago, A\$125/NZ\$116

The cooler 2020 vintage has given a Block 3 of great presence. Vividly coloured, it is beautifully aromatic with crunchy dark cherry and damson fruit, a little dried lavender and just a touch of cinnamon-tinged whole bunch character peeping through. A tightly focused taut palate whose ripe, savoury tannins give structure and tension. A wine that needs, in fact positively demands, time in the cellar.

TOP NEW RELEASE WINES

Jane Skilton, MW

95 ★★★★★

2020 Felton Road Block 5 Pinot Noir,
Central Otago, A\$125/NZ\$116

Situated on a gentle north-facing slope in the heart of the Elms vineyard. A firmly structured pinot with concentrated plum, dark cherry, violet, and savoury/spicy flavours that suggest coffee and dried herbs. Clearly a long-distance runner.

93 ★★★★★

2020 Felton Road Bannockburn Pinot Noir,
Central Otago, A\$77/NZ\$71

Richer and slightly riper than Block 2 chardonnay thanks, at least in part, to small berries in the Mendoza clone chardonnay. Pronounced tree fruit – nectarine/peach – characters with a Chablis-like mineral influence. Vibrant and high energy.

NEW ZEALAND LISTENER

WINE

by Michael Cooper

August 2021

Naturally certified

Going organic can be a challenge for winegrowers, but more sustainable practices are taking hold.

Felton Road Bannockburn,
Central Otago Chardonnay 2019

★★★★★

This distinctive wine was estate-grown at Bannockburn and aged for over a year in French oak barriques. Highly refined, it is youthful, sweet-fruited and harmonious, with deep, delicate, peachy, citrusy flavours, slightly biscuity and smoky notes adding complexity, and a well-rounded finish. (13.5% alc/vol) \$50



2021 WINES OF THE YEAR

Felton Road, Calvert Pinot Noir,
Bannockburn, Central Otago, New Zealand 2019

96

£47.95- £50

Beautifully concentrated nose with ripe strawberries and raspberries, black cherry, hints of star anise and delicate oak spice. Fantastic purity of fruit.

Drink 2022-2042 *Alc* 13.5%

Bob Campbell MW January 06, 2022

The Real Review

A L L I A N C E

BOB CAMPBELL, MW
16 September 2021



Felton Road Wines Block 5 Pinot Noir 2020

Intensely aromatic with a mix of plum, violet, cherry, dried herb, wet slate and mixed spice flavours. A complex, harmonious wine that gives equal prominence to all of its flavours without allowing one to dominate. Needs time to fully express its potential. **97/100**

Felton Road Wines Calvert Pinot Noir 2020

Elegant, firmly structured pinot noir with floral, spice, plum and red cherry flavours. Youthful and a little closed at this stage but with the potential to develop well with bottle age. Aerate for best results. **95/100**

Felton Road Wines Block 2 Chardonnay 2020

Deliciously aromatic with scents of citrus and wild flowers. Intense chardonnay with lemon zest, oyster shell and floral notes on the palate. A vibrant, seamless wine with purity and power. **96/100**

Felton Road Wines Block 6 Chardonnay 2020

Richer, weightier chardonnay than its sibling, Block 2, with slightly more assertive acidity driving an even longer finish. Bone dry wine with suggestions of lime citrus, wet slate, green apple and nectarine. A youthful wine that will respond positively to bottle age. **95/100**

Felton Road Wines Block 1 Riesling 2021

Luscious tropical fruit flavours remind me of a visit to the Tropical Nursery at Kew Gardens. That heady scent mingles with sharper citrus and mineral notes and lingers long after the wine has been swallowed. An ethereal texture and exquisite sweet and sour tension completes the picture. A great riesling. **98/100**

Felton Road Wines Riesling 2021

Taut yet luscious riesling, with moderate sweetness balanced by juicy acidity to give the wine a delicious tension. Wonderfully pure with a mix of citrus and stone fruit flavours and a hint of mango. **96/100**

Felton Road Wines Dry Riesling 2021

Mouth watering, bone-dry riesling with saline, oyster shell, lemon blossom and wild flowers. Intense, linear and lengthy. Textural wine with impressive weight and a lingering finish. A wine of two lives: full of youthful vigour now but with added toasty complexity when it hits maturity in a decade or so. **96/100**

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