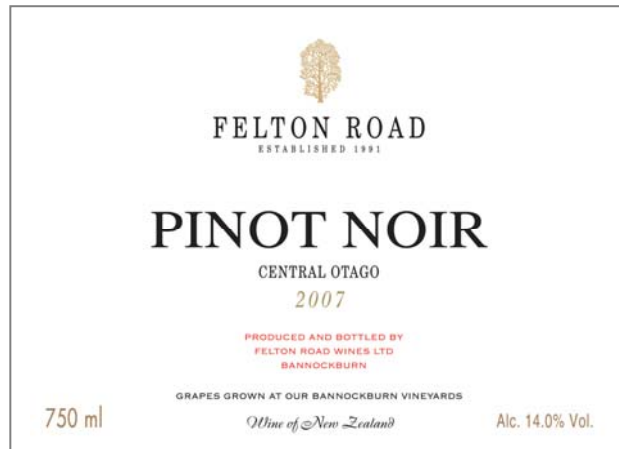




## FELTON ROAD



### 2007 Felton Road Pinot Noir

A very floral, perfumed, classic Pinot Noir nose: fruit, violets, spice and bramble, with nothing in excess. Creamy and weighty across the mid-palate, very flowing, almost juicy sweetness with just enough dusty tannins kicking in to complement a dark finish with hints of espresso and chocolate. Complete, complex and perhaps close to the ultimate expression for a Felton Road Pinot Noir.

#### Viticulture

Meticulous summer management of a single vertical shoot positioned (VSP) canopy ensures even and early fruit maturity. Shoot thinning, shoot positioning, leaf plucking, bunch thinning and harvest are all carried out by hand to ensure optimum quality fruit. Cover crops are planted between rows to assist in vine balance and to improve soil health and general biodiversity. All of our vineyards are managed organically and biodynamically (certification by Demeter is underway). This wine is a blend of our three vineyards (Elms, Cornish Point and Calvert) and contains a diverse range of clones, rootstocks and vine age.

#### Vintage & Vinification

The unique gravity flow winery enabled the grapes to be gently destemmed directly into open-top fermenters without pumping with approximately 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 11 months in French oak barrels from highly regarded Burgundian coopers. In accordance with our non-interventionalist approach to winemaking, this wine was fermented with indigenous yeast and was not fined or filtered.

Bottled 17 March 2008.

#### Steven Tanzer, International Wine Cellar - USA 92 points Felton Road Pinot Noir Central Otago 2007

Good deep red. Lovely high-pitched aromas and flavours of raspberry, orange peel, spices and flowers. At once sweet and penetrating, with bright acidity framing the wine's ripe flavours and giving it terrific Chambolle-like precision. Finishes with enticing floral and spicy perfume. Remarkably good....

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