

Wine & Spirits top 100 event

BEST PINOT NOIR

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MATURE VINE PINOT NOIR

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LAKE WANAKA CENTRAL OTAGO

Produce of New Zealand

94 Rippon

2008 Central Otago Rippon Pinot Noir

Nick Mills has tuned his vines to the cool elevations of Wanaka, working through natural viticulture and winemaking to produce this explosively schisty pinot noir, a Central Otago classic. The wine's earthy power is checked by layers of red fruit and scents of rhubarb and rose, sustaining a remarkable balance of sweet fruit and racy acidity. The flavors last, encouraged by long exposure to air, promising years of development ahead.

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