

mata-au pinot noir 2009

winemakers comments:

Our four Mata-Au vineyards are located in the Lowburn and Parkburn areas of the Cromwell basin. The vineyards are planted on the terraces and alluvial schist based soils formed by the Mata-Au (Clutha) River (pronounced – *martar-o*). The unique combination of site, soil and mild continental climate produces perfumed wines with elegant texture, structure and mineral length.

wine description:

An attractive perfume of wildflowers and light brown spice, with complex mineralite and earthy notes behind the red berry fruits. The wine is fresh and lively on the palate. Red berry fruit flavours dominate with some herbal/savory tones. Fine, ripe tannins build an elegant structure and lead to an impressively long and mineral finish.

vineyards:

The Tiger Vineyard – Lowburn, Cromwell Sinclair Vineyard – Lowburn, Cromwell The Viper Vineyard – Parkburn, Cromwell

harvest: 3rd April - 22nd April 2009

Brix: 23.1 - 24.6 pH: 3.33 - 3.45 TA: 7.5 - 9.3 in bottle:

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