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## McARTHUR RIDGE SOUTHERN TOR PINOT NOIR 2024



\$35.99

**NEW VINTAGE** Stunning Central Otago Pinot Noir - One of NZ's Most Decorated Wines!



Product Code:	5733	Closure:	Screw Cap
Country:	New Zealand	Unit:	Each
Region:	Central Otago	Volume:	750ml
Sub Region:	Alexandra	Alcohol:	14.0%
Style:	Red	Grape:	100% Pinot Noir
Variety:	Pinot Noir		
Producer:	<a href="#">McArthur Ridge</a>		



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### TASTING NOTES

By now winemaker Matt Connell is somewhat of a household name around these parts. Having been an integral part of the Central Otago winemaking scene for a number of years, his ability to make show shopping Pinot Noir is unparalleled.

He has been working with Alexandra based McArthur Ridge for the last few years and the improvement in quality has been an absolute revelation, fulfilling the true potential of this exceptional site.

The proof has been in the bottle with the wine receiving high praise from not only us, but from critics the world over, culminating in the 2022 vintage winning Trophy for Best in Show at the 2024 Decanter World Wine Awards and the 2023 winning Overall Champion Wine of the Show at the New Zealand International Wine Show 2024 – impressive stuff!

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Available now, this newly released 2024 is continuing with the same outstanding quality and will help cement the Southern Tor as one of great New Zealand Pinot Noirs. Matt reckons it is "The best yet." Quantity is limited and demand high this year, so we expect this will sell out very quickly. Be quick!

## Winery notes (2024 Vintage)

"Southern Tor is the name given to exposed rock mass thought to be formed by freeze-thaw weathering found throughout the Alexandra region. Located in the heart of this unforgiving mountainous region, Central Otago sits the expansive vineyard of McArthur Ridge. The cool climate and gently sloping Brassknocker soils combine to deliver what some say to be amongst the best vineyards in the world for growing Pinot Noir. Optimal vineyard management and diligence allows for our grape harvest at peak flavour potential.

Ruby red in colour, this wine has a bouquet of savoury red berry fruit, black cherry and vanilla that combine with aromas of black forest berries, cloves and dark violets, finishing with soft stony notes. Dry on the palate with a core of fruit, savoury tannins give it a great texture. The oak influence is obvious with baking spices, brown sugar and smokiness. We expect this wine to improve further with careful cellaring over the next 7-10 years."

## Rated Excellent & 94/100 Cameron Douglas MS, April 2025 (2023 Vintage)

"Very bright and fruity with a varietal core of dark raspberry and plum fruits, wild flowers and dried herbs, violets and layers of barrel spice. Youth and energy. On the palate a dry wine with a powerhouse of fruit and style, players of red berry fruits and barrel spice moments, lees and earth smoke. Firm tannins and medium+ acid line deliver a wine of freshness and style. Will need some cellar time to show its true potential with best drinking likely from 2029 through 2035. I am keen to try this wine again in a year to confirm its potential."

Reviews for previous vintages below...

## NZIWS Judges' Comments (2023 Vintage)

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## 94/100 David Walker Bell, WineFolio.co.nz, January 2025 (2023 Vintage)

"The Champion Wine of the Show (and Champion Pinot Noir) at NZIWS in 2024. A dark ruby burgundy colour in the glass. The perfume is filled with red and blue fruit, vanilla, toasted spices and peppercorn, and floral top notes of musk and iris. Dry, with tight, fine tannins and juicy acidity that gives the fruit plenty of energy. The oak is a central part of the structure, and adds a smokiness that is more savoury, balancing the youthful brio of the fruit and florals. **Drinks like a wine twice the price.**"

## 97/100 & Trophy for Best in Show - Decanter World Wine Awards Judges' Comments (2022 Vintage)

"We may not have found any Burgundian Pinot Noir wines to feature in this year's Best In Show selection, but three Pinots from the Southern Hemisphere goes some way to compensate. ***This example from the Alexandra Basin sub-region shows why there is so much excitement about Central Otago.*** It's a translucent dark red in colour, with articulate aromas of warm red berries, red cherries and root spice. It's softly articulated on the palate and sweet-fruited, with great grace and poise. The wine's structure comes more prominently from its acidity than from its relatively discreet tannin profile. In just two years, it has already begun to soften and open; look out for stones and a herbal complexity as well as root spice on the finish."

## 95/100 IWC Judges' Comments (2022 Vintage)

"Cornucopia of red fruits, cranberry, cherry and fresh raspberries, velvety texture but wonderful structure, beautifully seductive wine. Delicious smoky hints but fantastic perfume. ***Textbook example.***"

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