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TWO PADDOCKS THE FIRST PADDOCK PINOT NOIR 2023



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Product Code:	6784	Closure:	Screw Cap
Country:	New Zealand	Unit:	Each
Region:	Central Otago	Volume:	750ml
Sub Region:	Gibbston	Alcohol:	12.5%
Style:	Red	Grape:	100% Pinot Noir
Variety:	Pinot Noir	Natural:	Certified Organic



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TASTING NOTES

New Zealand Organic Wine Awards 'Sustainable Vineyard of the Year' 2024

"We grow our premium Two Paddocks Pinot Noir entirely on our four small vineyards in Central Otago. In some exceptional vintages, listening carefully, we realise that one of these sites may have something extraordinary to say in its own right. It is only then that we will make one of these very rare single vineyard wines." - Sam Neill, Proprietor

The First Paddock is the much loved original Two Paddocks vineyard. Planted in 1993, it is now one of the older blocks in Central Otago. Superbly situated in the midst of upper Gibbston, planted in carefully selected Burgundian clone pinot noir vines and meticulously tended. Soil foundations are derived from the surrounding mountainous schist and windblown loess, but higher rainfalls over the millennia have resulted in increased fertility in these blocks.

Forest floor, redcurrant and Asian spice aromatics give this wine a distinctive Gibbston Valley character. Smooth velvety tannins immerse the pallet with great elegance and poise.

Reviews for the 2022 vintage below...

Rated Outstanding & 96/100 Cameron Douglas MS, November 2025

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(2022 Vintage)

"Fabulous bouquet with a very bright, lively and fruit centric bouquet. Layers of red berries and stone, some savoury ideas then wild red flowers, clay then lees and barrel spice with a gentle smoky quality. Youthful and complex. Dry, taut, textured and delicious with core red berry flavours, ripe dark cherry, clove and vanilla, some nutmeg and toasty wood flavours. Tannins deliver a definitive power, lots of polish and impact while the acid line carries flavours and freshness. A delicious wine, best on its own. Drink well from today though best from 2028 through 2036+."

96/100 JamesSuckling.com (2022 Vintage)

"Lively, racy and driven, this pinot noir impresses with its aromas of fresh strawberries, forest berries, stones, forest floor and orange blossoms. Medium-bodied with velvety tannins. Refined texture and character, with juicy fresh fruit and a vivid finish of length. From organically grown grapes."

96/100 Susie Barrie MW & Peter Richards MW (UK), Susie & Peter New Zealand Wines of the Year 2026

(2022 Vintage)

"So this is where it all began for Sam Neill's wine adventure – the first vineyard he planted, back in 1993, in the upper Gibbston reaches of Central Otago. As a wine, it exemplifies the vision for Pinot Noir that shines through all this estate's wines: complexity and intensity but also, above all, elegance and drinkability...and a cheeky sense of light-hearted fun at the same time. The first vintage off here was the 1997, and as the coolest and latest-harvested site of the four estate vineyards, it tends to give delicate, perfumed styles. That said, in this vintage, perhaps because of the slightly warmer conditions, there's a fair bit of dark fruit and depth to this wine, with an inviting smoky, roasted herb complexity. The palate is relatively muscular too, with layers of flavour and elegantly drying tannins. Maturing nicely."

95/100 Emma Jenkins MW, Decanter UK, October 2025 (2022 Vintage)

"Only made in outstanding Gibbston vintages – and 2022 was such a year. Beautifully perfumed, it's a seductive expression with lifted red fruits, abundant florals and subtle spice. The supple, silken palate has a filigree structure, its grace belies a surprising amount of persistence and power. A truly lovely wine that captures Gibbston's quiet power and finesse. Organically farmed. From the original Two Paddocks vineyard in Gibbston planted to Pinot Noir in 1994 – then just 2ha, now expanded to 4.6ha."

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