

GOLD RIVER PINOT NOIR 2002 GIBBSTON VALLEY

Vintage:	2002
Production:	10,000 bottles
Producer:	Gibbston Valley Central Otago, New Zealand
Wine maker:	Grant Taylor
Varietal composition:	100% Pinot Noir
Alcohol content:	12% vol
Vineyard:	Grapes from various vineyards in Central Otago with heavy but well drained soils of loess interspersed with gravels. The climate is continental with hot days, cool nights and cool dry autumns.
Yield:	36 hl per ha
Harvesting:	Brix at harvest: 23. Hand picked grapes.
Vinification:	Malolactic fermentation, no lees stirring, filtered, and blended after fermentation.
Cask composition and ageing:	6 months aging in 3 year old French heavy toasted oak barrels. Bottled December 2002 and released in June 2003.
Tasting note:	A lighter style of Pinot Noir. Subtle tannins support vibrant cherry and plum fruit resulting in an immensely drinkable wine. Will age for up to 4 years.
Chemical analysis:	Wine pH 3.77 Total acidity 7g/l

