

	Retail	Savings
\$32.99	\$44.95	27%

2013 Rockburn Pinot Noir product-timed-pdf - Central Otago, New Zealand - 92pts WE | 94pts Campbell MW | 92pts JS

Why We're Drinking It

94pts Bob Campbell, MS: *A very appealing wine in a typical Rockburn style with Maraschino cherry, plum, violet and spicy oak flavours. The wine has an appealing, almost chewy, texture subtle fruit and alcohol sweetness and a pleasantly drying finish.*

92pts James Suckling: *This has a floral edge, ahead of cherries and chocolate; it's gently herbal, ripe and attractive. The palate's very supple and even, and the tannins creep as it builds, layering up through the finish, adding length and depth. Crunchy cherry fruit holds the finish steadily. Drink now.*

92pts Wine Enthusiast: *This is ripe and muscular without being overly oaky. Cherry fruit is supported by a balanced dose of cedary oak, but the tannins come largely from the fruit, suggesting decent aging potential. The finish is dry, firm and long, further bolstering that impression. Drink 2017–2025.*

Tasting Notes

A pure expression of Central Otago to your glass; an expressive nose and deeply fruited palate displaying vibrant notes of red and black cherry, rich mocha and supple, silky tannins leading into a very long finish. As always this wine shows classic Rockburn elegance, integrity and balance.

VARIETAL
100% Pinot Noir
APPELLATION
Central Otago
ALCOHOL
14.00
SIZE
750ml
BLEND
100% Pinot Noir

The Story to Know

From the Winery: *Rockburn takes its name from the rugged, rock-strewn, burn-scarred landscape of Central Otago. The region is renowned for its stunning scenery of rugged mountains and picturesque lakes.*

We produce premium wines of intense varietal characteristics in Central Otago, the world's most southerly grape-growing region. Central Otago, at 45° south, has a climate similar to Burgundy, France, the great Pinot Noir producing region of the world. All our wines exhibit strong varietal characteristics, highlighted in the white varieties by crisp acids, which are typical of the region. It has also become apparent that like Burgundy there are distinct 'appellations' within Central Otago. One has only to taste a Gibbston Valley Pinot Noir to experience its perfumed nose, typically violets, and earthy, forest floor sensations on the palate.

Compare this with a Lowburn/Bannockburn Pinot Noir with its darker colour and fuller, sweeter fruit. For this reason, to fully exploit the potential of the region, it is a distinct advantage to have vineyards in different 'appellations'.
