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DYED-IN-THE-WOOL ESTATE

PINOT NOIR 2008



Dyed-in-the-Wool is a local New Zealand saying that means unchangeable and stubborn. The name of the wine was solidified one afternoon while eating lunch with the owner, his wife and their son in law. As you may or may not know, New Zealand is home to 60 million sheep and about 4 million people. There are a number of mountainsides that are often seen covered with grazing goats and sheep. The vineyard estate where Dyed-in-the-Wool is created backs up to one of these hills. As we ate our lunch, the large number of sheep ate lunch with us on the hillside and even came down to where we were sitting. The spectacle led to a discussion of the large number of sheep in New Zealand and eventually to the colloquial saying, "Dyed-in-the-Wool" or "Unchangeable".

Dyed-in-the-Wool is created with "unchangeable" philosophies. The philosophy of our people and the winemaker is to create the best possible wine each and every vintage. We do nothing that could sacrifice the quality of our wines. That is why the product we create for ourselves, and our customers to enjoy, is "unchangeable vintage to vintage". Bon appetite!!!



Region	Nelson, New Zealand
Vintage	2008
Varietal Comp	100 % Pinot Noir
Harvest Dates	April
Winemaker	Fruit from Nelson vineyard was combined with fruit from other areas of the South Island. It was macerated on skins for several days prior to fermentation. Fermentation was conducted in small open vats using natural yeast strains and hand plunging. The wine underwent malolactic fermentation while maturing in French oak barrels for nine months.
Notes	
Alcohol Level	12.4%
PH Level	3.69
RS Level	2.0 g/L
Acid Level	6.4 g/L
Aging Time	9 months French oak barrels
Cases Produced	9,000
Description	The wine shows an intense nose of raspberries and black cherries, black doris plums with spicy, minty and earthy characters. The palate is medium-bodied with soft tannins and features sweet fruit backed up by black pepper, cloves and spice.

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