



## Winemakers Tasting Notes

**Gerry Rowland**

*from a Winemaking lineage since 1537*

### **Central Otago Pinot Noir 2003 Ventifacts Block**

**BORN OF GLACIAL ICE & ROCK**

“... I will outline what you will experience...

... Initially when you first look at the wine, it has a deep red colour. A good sign for a Pinot and of what is about to come and tantalize the palate.

Take a couple of moments to take in the fruit character as it will develop in the glass.

The characters are one of dark ripe cherries, some uplifting floral notes of rose petals and at the tail end a little punctuation of some white pepper - a character to date that I have found in fruit only from the Alexandra area.

On the palette the flavours of cherries come through again with a spicy bright berry flavour.

The mouth feel which we should note is long and generous and coats the inside of the mouth. As we swallow, flavours continue to linger.

Come taste and toast the 2003 Drumsara Ventifacts Block Pinot Noir, our foundation vintage”

*Gerry Rowland, Napa Valley, Ca, USA  
Winemaker*

Drumsara Wines Limited ♣ 274 Hillview Road ♣ Alexandra ♣ New Zealand

**Postal Orders:** PO Box 1398 Queenstown New Zealand

**Fax Orders:** +64 3 441-3960

**Online Orders:** [www.drumsara.com](http://www.drumsara.com)

**Email Orders:** [info@drumsara.com](mailto:info@drumsara.com)





## Winemakers Vintage Notes & Statistics

**Gerry Rowland**

*from a Winemaking lineage since 1537*

### **Central Otago Pinot Noir 2003 Ventifacts Block**

**BORN OF GLACIAL ICE & ROCK**

Vines: Pinot Noir predominantly Clone 5

Harvested: ~.25 ton/acre

Brix @ Harvest: 25.0

Alcohol: 13.5% by Vol.

Acid: 6.13 g/l

pH: 3.84

Yeast: 15% Wild, 85% Rhone

Time on Skins: Cold maceration 14 days, 30 days total on skins

Fermentation: 100% Whole Berry, open-top fermentation, hand plunged

Cooperage: 100% French oak; 40% new, 60% 1-2 years old

Clarification: Lightly fined

Vineyard Location: 100% Drumsara, New Zealand – Central Otago

Case Production: 90 cases

#### Winemakers Notes:

Deep red colour. Dark ripe cherries, some uplifting floral notes of rose petals and at the tail end a little punctuation of some white pepper. On the palate the flavours of cherries come through again with a spicy bright berry flavour.

*Gerry Rowland, Napa Valley, Ca, USA  
Winemaker*

Drumsara Wines Limited ♣ 274 Hillview Road ♣ Alexandra ♣ New Zealand

**Postal Orders:** PO Box 1398 Queenstown New Zealand

**Fax Orders:** +64 3 441-3960

**Online Orders:** [www.drumsara.com](http://www.drumsara.com)

**Email Orders:** [info@drumsara.com](mailto:info@drumsara.com)

