

## Oak Valley Sounds of Silence Pinot Noir 2015

Sweet cherry, violet and rose petal aromas. The palate displays an abundance of fresh cranberry and ripe cherry. These bright red berry characters are offset by beautiful acidity resulting in excellent freshness. The careful use of French oak has led to fine tannins and a light oak spice on the finish.

**variety** : Pinot Noir | 100% Pinot Noir

**winery** : Oak Valley

**winemaker** : Pieter Visser

**wine of origin** : Elgin

**analysis** : alc : 13.74 % vol   rs : 1.7 g/l   pH : 3.45   ta : 5.4 g/l

**type** : Red   **style** : Dry   **body** : Full

**pack** : Bottle   **size** : 500ml   **closure** : Screwcap

High up along the foothills of the Groenlandberg in the cool climate of Elgin, grows the ever-so-delicate Pinot Noir. This may seem like a gloomy environment but Pinot Noir thrives amongst the sounds of silence.

**in the vineyard** : Year planted: 2001 & 2008

Soil: Medium Textured Gravely soil with a structured clay layer

Block no: 9, 15A, 15B

Slope: SSW & SSE

Altitude: 430m

Distance to Ocean: 20.7km

Root Stock: 101 - 14, R110

Trellis System: 5 Wire VSP & Guyot

**about the harvest**: Picking time: 15 - 25 Feb

**in the cellar** : In the cellar Pinot is treated like a lady. Gentle maceration and interaction with the skins and allowing her to ferment at cool temperatures and mature beautifully in French oak barrels.

