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Cuvée Madeline 2021

WINE REFLECTION

Cuvée Madeline 2021 captures the essence of our Mount Pisa vineyard's schist and quartz soils. This wine exhibits a refined precision and vibrant, fine-boned minerality, its subtle layers gradually revealing a delicate yet persistent structure that reflects its unique soil origins.

VINEYARD

- **Source:** Mount Pisa Vineyard, Central Otago
- **Soil:** Predominantly schist/quartz
- **Variety:** 100% Pinot Noir, multiple clones and rootstocks

VINTAGE NOTES

The 2021 harvest revealed distinct character in parcels that would become Madeline. Compact vines clung to rigid schist and reflective quartz, echoing the ground beneath. Delicate bunches bore sparse, fine little berries.

WINEMAKING

Our winemaking techniques are simple and gentle to allow for the transfer from soil to wine and to capture the season. Fermentation is natural, either spontaneous or encouraged by use of pied de cuve.

- **Harvest:** 8 days, centred on April 2nd
- **Yield:** 3.5 t/ha average
- **Fermentation:** Multiple small-batch, natural fermentations
- **Whole Bunch:** 14% average
- **Maceration:** 23 days on skins average
- **Maturation:** French oak barrels and demi-muids (21% new oak)
- **Bottled:** November 22, 2022

TECHNICAL INFORMATION (Post Bottling)

- **Alcohol:** 13.5%
- **pH:** 3.68
- **Total Acidity:** 5.7 g/L