## **Chasing Harvest Wines**



Chasing Harvest was created by husband and wife, Michael Kush and Jennifer Kingen Kush from Chicago.

'Chasing harvest' is a wine industry term that describes travel between the northern and southern hemispheres for extra vintage seasons in one year.

With just our passports and backpacks, a passion for adventure, travel, and wine inspired us to 'chase harvest' across five continents, eight countries, and 32 vintages. We use our experiences of the world's greatest wine regions to handcraft our limited wines.

Our journey has taken us all over the world from the vineyards of Burgundy and Cahors, France; to the slopes of the Mosel; the Western Cape of South Africa; Sonoma, California; Italy and Argentina; historic Douro Valley, Portugal and its antipodes Central Otago, New Zealand. We are grateful to all of the talented winemakers we have worked with along the way.



Of all the world's wine regions that we've worked, Central Otago, New Zealand and the Douro Valley, Portugal have inspired us most where we have now worked for the past 12 years.

Both locations feature epic scenery, but couldn't be more different in climates, traditions and wines. Our goal is to spare no effort in crafting characterful wines that reflect these unique regions.



## **Chasing Harvest Label**

Our label is based on a classic 1950's bus roll. 'Making All Stops,' it lists the destinations of our travel. Each country represents a place we have worked the harvest developing our craft as winemakers.

This concept captures the spirit of our lives and project because for us, the journey has always been part of the adventure.

## 2019 Chasing Harvest Pinot Noir Rosé, Central Otago, New Zealand

(164 cases produced)

Our attempt to make a very high quality single vineyard Rosé from the cool sub-region of Alexandra. The grapes were hand harvested and sorted in the winery before being pressed whole cluster utilizing a long and slow Champagne press cycle and then decanted with some solids to neutral french oak barrels that had previously aged Chasing Harvest Pinot Noir wine.



The wine was fermented in barrel for nearly four weeks with battonage once and subsequently a portion of the wine completing the malolactic fermentation. It remained in barrel over the winter 'sur lie' before being bottled in the Spring.

This dry wine features complex delicate red fruit, floral aromas with a flinty stone character. It has depth and precision on the palate from the firm acidity, rich texture and has a long finish.