



Grapes
100% Pinot Noir

Region/Appellation
Marlborough

Alcohol by volume
13.50%

Residual Sugar
0.3 g/l

pH
3.57

Total Acidity
5.63 g/l

Drinking Window
2024 - 2026

Tasting Guide
A B C D E
Light Medium Full

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Pinot Noir 2021 6x75cl

Winemaker Notes

This is a robust and concentrated style of Marlborough Pinot Noir from an excellent Pinot Noir vintage. It was grown on the clay soils of the Wairau Valley's southern hills and exhibits aromatics and flavours of dark brambly fruits including cherry and plum with notes of herbs and spice. With its subtle oak influence, this is a fruit forward style and a fine match with food.

Vineyard

Sourced from sites on clay soils in the Wairau Valley, the area is often referred to as the Southern Clays displaying robust, dark brambly fruit. The vines are trained on an upright vertical shoot positioned trellis and managed intensively to produce low yields of excellent quality fruit. Shoot thinning, bunch thinning and leaf plucking are all undertaken in the pursuit of quality.

Winemaking

The fruit was destemmed and soaked before fermentation with wild yeast in opentopped fermenters. Hand plunging employed to gently extract tannin and colour. When dry the wine was pressed to both tank and barrel for malolactic fermentation. The wine was then aged in French oak barriques of which 4% were new.

Vintage

The start of the season was slightly below the long-term average in temperature, but the weather settled and we saw a mild and beautiful summer. A splash of rain and humid conditions closer to harvest put some pressure on the viticulture team, but fortunately the weather stayed stable and sunny throughout the picking season. Pinot Noir is bright and fruity, with ample red and berry fruits on the nose, and a soft and juicy tannin profile with translucent red hues.

Food match

Grilled and Roasted Red Meats

Enjoy with a wide range of meat and game dishes including duck, salmon and tuna

