



TOHU WHENUA AWA

SINGLE VINEYARD | PINOT NOIR | 2021 |

We are tangata whenua – people of the land. We are intrinsically connected to our whenua that we protect, nurture and love.

ABOUT THIS WINE: Displaying brooding dark fruit aromas with notes of forest floor and harmonious spicy, smoky oak this richly textured Pinot Noir is sourced solely from our Awatere Valley vineyard. A complex and elegantly structured wine.

VINEYARD: Awatere Valley Marlborough, New Zealand. Blocks: organically farmed Araroa and Tohu blocks, Planted 2002. 7.73 ha. Loam soils varying from shallow to deep silt and fine sand.

TASTING NOTE

- Dark fruit aromas underlined with notes of forest floor and harmonious spicy oak notes
- Complex and elegantly structured wine balanced with soft, silky tannins
- Long, lingering and mouth-filling finish

VITICULTURE

- The growing season began with some unsettled weather over flowering resulting in low yields across the Pinot Noir blocks
- Low crop levels combined with warm and dry conditions over summer resulted in pristine fruit with bold, concentrated fruit flavours
- Small parcels of fruit were picked at optimal ripeness, resulting in a wine with outstanding aromatics, palate weight and texture

- Grapes were sustainably grown using organic practices

WINEMAKING

- hand-harvested grapes gently destemmed then chilled for seven days in open top vessels
- Warmed for a fast ferment; the wine was then pressed directly into French oak barriques for the winter
- underwent natural malolactic fermentation once the temperatures started to warm again in spring.
- rigorous blending and barrel section, with the final blend left to settle for a few more months before being bottled without the need for fining or filtration.
- bottled June 2022 - 4437 bottles produced



ANALYSIS: Vintage: 2021 | Alcohol: 13% | pH: 3.68 | T/A: 5.6g/L

Ngā hua a te whenua. Our gift from the land.

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