



## Martinborough Pinot Noir 2020

### TERROIR

The soils of Te Muna Terraces are deep, free-draining alluvial gravel, which are rich in minerals making it ideal for growing grapes. The climate is an extension of Martinborough and similar to Burgundy, being only slightly cooler due to higher altitude, but with long cool summers and low rainfall providing the optimum long ripening conditions for grapes.

### VITICULTURE

This wine is a blend of six Pinot Noir clones sourced from blocks within our Te Muna Road vineyard. The vines are tended and picked by hand and are sustainably grown. The 2020 growing season was a very dry year with excellent diurnal temperature variation and almost no rainfall, resulting in small, concentrated berries holding great acid and benefiting from a long hangtime on the vine.

### WINEMAKING

The grapes were hand-harvested and de-stemmed into small open top vats for fermentation. The cap was treated with a punch down once daily through fermentation, with all grapes getting a minimum 20 days on skins. After fermentation finished, the wine was gently pressed and transferred into French oak barrels for maturation. The wine underwent complete malolactic fermentation for 10 months before the wine was racked off solids, blended, and filtered for clarity. No finings were added.

### COLOUR

Dark purple red.

### AROMA

Dense freshly picked raspberry and plum fruit aromas interwoven with cinnamon and cardamon spice with Te Muna's rose petal overtone.

### PALATE

A complex, savoury, mouth filling wine with dense dark fruits and cacao. The tannins are fine boned, yet persistent, combining with the pure line of acidity.

<b>Variety &amp; clones:</b>	Pinot Noir clones 5, 6, 114, 115, 667 & Abel.
<b>Harvest date:</b>	8 <sup>th</sup> March to 3 <sup>rd</sup> April, 2020
<b>Harvest analysis:</b>	Brix 21.7-22.6, pH 3.30-3.54, TA 8.25-9.90 g/L
<b>Wine analysis:</b>	Alc. 13.5 %, pH 3.71, TA 5.78 g/L, RS <1 g/L
<b>Oak Maturation:</b>	10 months in French oak, with no new oak
<b>Bottling date:</b>	22 <sup>nd</sup> March 2022
<b>Allergens:</b>	Contains sulphites. Vegan and Vegetarian Friendly

