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MARLBOROUGH | 2020 | NEW ZEALAND WINE

TASTING NOTE

NOSE: FRESH AROMAS OF BLACKCURRANT, RED PLUMS AND SUBTLE SPICES.

PALATE: AN INVITING PALATE OF RIPE RED BERRIES AND SMOKEY OAK NOTES ADDING TO A RICH AND FLAVOURSOME FINISH.

WINEMAKER	ALCOHOL	PH
Heather Stewart	12.5%	3.63
RESIDUAL SUGAR	ACIDITY	
0.2g/L	5.4 g/L	Vegetarian Friendly

FROM THE LAND:

This fruit was sourced from a naturally low cropping site in Marlborough's Rapaura sub-region.

Stoney free draining soils and warm summers ensure these grapes reach full ripeness and maturity prior to selection.

TO THE WINERY:

The grapes were harvested in the cool of the morning at optimum flavour maturity. Each vineyard parcel was held cool for five days prior to fermentation.

Selected yeast strains were used for the primary alcoholic fermentation during which the must was hand plunged six to eight times daily.

Once malolactic fermentation was completed the wine was lightly fined and prepared for bottling.

Drinking excellently from bottling and will continue to develop for enjoyment over five years from bottling.

It is well matched with Moroccan lamb tagine or spiced salmon fillets.



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