



RAPAURA SPRINGS

RESERVE

PINOT GRIS – 2022

TASTING NOTES

Our Reserve Pinot Gris has inviting nashi pear, apricot, and rock melon aromas, with a hint of spice. Full of fruit character, but not too sweet, this off-dry wine is delightfully drinkable. The flavours linger long after your glass is empty.



THE STORY

Our Reserve wines are expertly crafted from selected vineyards with impressive flavour concentration and palate weight. Each bottle of Rapaura Springs tells the story of a lifetime. Of water and wine, and of generations of family working with nature. Our label depicts the rocky aquifer at our home vineyard, and the pristine springs that connect it to our land. We make exceptional wines that reflect our remarkable landscapes, pure waterways, and passionate people.

ACCOLADES

Gold Medal – Marlborough Wine Show 2022

93 Points – Wine Orbit, Sam Kim 2022

92 Points – James Suckling 2022

92 Points – Bob Campbell MW 2022

Silver Medal – NZ International Wine Show 2022

Silver Medal – National Wine Awards of Aotearoa NZ 2022

91 Points – Candice Chow 2022

WINEMAKING

The 2022 growing season began with significant rain, marking the end of three years of drought in Marlborough. A period of warmth in early December produced a welcome and better than average fruit-set. In late February we had a couple of significant rains which replenished the soil moisture levels that had reduced during summer. During the two weeks that followed we had cool days and nights which meant the acidities remained on the high side. Harvest coincided with the peak of New Zealand's Omicron outbreak, which put some pressure on staffing. Excellent teamwork meant we were able to harvest our fruit as it was ready, retaining vibrant acidity and concentrated fruit flavour.

After harvesting, the Pinot Gris fruit was gently pressed, and the juice was floated and clean racked for fermentation. Selected yeast strains were used at cool and warm temperatures, giving the wine vibrant fresh fruit and a weighty textural element. The fermentation was stopped, slightly off dry.

Alcohol: 13%

Bottle Barcode: 9421003771475

Carton Barcode: 19421003771540
