

RAPAURA SPRINGS

ROHE

RAPAURA – 2021

TASTING NOTES

Vibrant aromas of ripe passionfruit and blackcurrant follow through to the palate. These intense fruit characters are laced with a vein of gooseberry and herb. This wine is immediately appealing but will continue to evolve over the next three years.

THE SUB-REGION

Rapaura is one of the oldest and most recognised sub-regions of Marlborough. The soils are very young, alluvial, Wairau silts, layered over braids of gravel. The sub-region borders the Wairau River and is renowned for producing ripe, aromatic Sauvignon Blanc.

WINEMAKING

2021 was another unique vintage, one of the earliest and shortest on record. The growing season was the third in a series of drought vintages, the stress on the vines was compounded by a huge wind run. The combination of some early frost events and a poor flowering resulted in lower yields and smaller bunches than usual. This, combined with the dry conditions, has meant that disease levels are incredibly low this year, resulting in better flavours and pristine fruit with good

concentration. After harvest, the Rapaura Sauvignon Blanc was gently pressed before individual parcels were batch fermented in stainless steel with selected yeast strains to retain the vibrant fruit characters unique to this sub-region.

THE STORY

Rohe, meaning territory in Te Reo Māori, is a range of wines that showcase Marlborough's sub-regions and share our perspective of a remarkable region. 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

New Release

Alcohol: 13.5%

Total acidity: 6.7 g/l

Residual sugar: 5.2 g/l

pH: 3.42

Bottle Barcode: 9421003772311

Carton Barcode: 9421003772325

