# **2019 SAINT CLAIR JAMES** SINCLAIR **PINOT GRIS**

Elegant and crisp with fresh flavours of white pear and subtlespice

### Colour:

Pale gold.

#### **Aroma:**

Pure aromas of freshly cut green pear and crusty white bread.

### Palate:

Full and luscious with layers of honey dew melon, pear, and spice. The wine is focused and textural with a natural acidity that is balanced by a hint of sweetness.

## Ageing potential:

Drinking beautifully now, this wine will continue to evolve and reward for at least three years from vintage date.

### Winemaking and Viticulture:

The fruit was sourced from a selection of vineyards in Marlborough's Omaka and Waihopai Valleys and harvested at optimum flavour ripeness.

The fruit was crushed and pressed promptly at cool temperatures to extract the full complement of flavour, phenolic and aroma compounds required. Following the settling period the clear juice was racked taking with it a portion of the light fluffy lees, then fermented using selected yeast in stainless steel at moderately cool temperatures to retain fruit flavour and freshness. The fermentation was arrested early to retain some residual sugar, to balance the acidity and add richness.

## Wine analysis:

Alcohol 12.5%v/v, Residual sugar 17.7g/litre, Acidity 5.3g/litre, pH 3.32

#### Food match:

An ideal match with soft ripened cheese or crayfish.

## Vegan friendly:



Senior Winemaker Stewart Mactennan Senior Winemaker Hamish Clark

