



# TOHU WENUA AWA

SINGLE VINEYARD | PINOT NOIR | 2020 |

We are tangata whenua – people of the land. We are intrinsically connected to our whenua that we protect, nurture and love.

**ABOUT THIS WINE:** Dark fruit, cherry and integrated oak are perfectly balanced with bright floral notes in this elegantly structured Pinot Noir sourced from our Araroa block.

**VINEYARD:** Awatere Valley Marlborough, New Zealand. Blocks: farmed Araroa, Planted 2002. 5.1 ha. Loam soils varying from shallow to deep silt and fine sand.

## TASTING NOTE

- dark fruit aromas underlined with notes of forest floor and harmonious spicy oak notes
- complex and elegantly structured wine balanced with soft, silky tannins
- long, lingering and mouth-filling finish

## VITICULTURE

- 2019/2020 was an excellent growing season with dry conditions throughout summer and a settled harvest period
- grapes were picked at optimal ripeness, resulting in a wine with outstanding aromatics, palate weight and texture.

## WINEMAKING

- hand-harvested grapes gently destemmed then chilled for seven days in open top vessels
- warmed for a fast ferment with natural yeasts; post ferment the wine was pressed directly into dedicated Pinot Noir French oak barriques for the winter
- underwent natural malolactic fermentation once the temperatures started to warm again in spring
- rigorous blending and barrel selection, with the final blend left to settle for a few more months before being bottled without the need for fining or filtration
- Bottled June 2021 - 1620 bottles produced

**ANALYSIS:** Vintage: 2020 | Alcohol: 13% | pH: 3.76 | T/A: 5.3g/L



**Ngā hua a te whenua. Our gift from the land.**

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