



WAIRAU RIVER

HOME BLOCK PINOT NOIR 2005

Marlborough's Wairau River is Maori for 'many waters', reflecting the intricate braided pattern the river has carved on its path to the Pacific Ocean. It is on these riverbanks that Phil and Chris Rose planted their first vines in 1978, thus starting a tradition of crafting world class wines which continues today. The river pattern also symbolizes the family roots with its interwoven strands moving together in the same direction. We are honouring that foresight by releasing this range of single vineyard wines expressing the unique terrior of this 'home block' site.

This wine has a wonderfully perfumed nose of red berry fruits and hints of game, framed by toasty oak. Showing complexity on the palate, the low yielding vines and skilful winemaking give this wine a silken texture with a fine tannin structure and great length. Indulge with gastronomic delights and scintillating conversation.

- Allan McWilliams, Winemaker

<i>Variety</i>	<i>100% Pinot Noir</i>
<i>pH</i>	<i>3.60</i>
<i>Residual Sugar</i>	<i><2g/l</i>
<i>TA</i>	<i>5.5</i>
<i>Brix at harvest</i>	<i>24.4</i>
<i>Alcohol</i>	<i>13.5%</i>
<i>Vineyard</i>	<i>Home Block</i>
<i>Vinification</i>	<i>12 months French Oak</i>

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