



WAIRAU RIVER

MARLBOROUGH NEW ZEALAND



ESTATE GEWÜRZTRAMINER 2021

TASTING NOTES

A vibrant perfumed nose of elderflower, rose petal and lychee. The palate is layered with notes of nutmeg and gingerbread resulting in a silky wine with delicate spice and a lingering finish.

VINTAGE OVERVIEW

Flowering commenced in the first week of December. During this period, the region experienced less than perfect flowering conditions which resulted in a lower-than-average potential yield. Balance of yield to canopy health was excellent. January, February, and March produced some of the driest months ever recorded with picking beginning in the last week of February and concluding in the last week of March culminating in one of the earliest vintages in the region and also one of the most exceptional harvests we have seen. The warm fine weather through the late summer provided exceptionally clean and healthy fruit, creating the a riper spectrum of tropical fruit flavours, this provided the winemakers with an extensive array of complimentary blending components from which to assemble some fantastic wines. The resulting wines from the 2021 vintage have wonderful fruit concentration aromatic power and defining elegance which are all hallmarks of this outstanding vintage. The elegance and poise seen from the 2021 wines will truly make this one of the most celebrated years for some time.

VINIFICATION

Harvested in the cool of the early morning from the winery block vineyard on the banks of the Wairau River. The fruit was destemmed and held with the skins in the press for 24 hours. The free run and light pressings were separated and cold settled. A portion of the wine was fermented in old neutral French oak barrels, with the balance in stainless steel. The ferments were stopped with some residual sugar to aid texture and weight.

FLAVOUR PROFILE

Gingerbread



Spices



Rose Petal

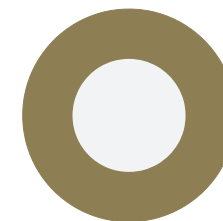


Lychee



VINEYARD COMPOSITION

Rapaura



TECHNICAL DATA

Harvested 19th March 2021

Alc	13.5%
RS	13.4g/L
TA	6.5g/L
pH	3.25



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