

WAIRAU RIVER



MARLBOROUGH NEW ZEALAND

SUMMER RIESLING 2022

TASTING NOTES

Lifted aromas of citrus, elderflower and golden apple. Refreshing and crisp with flavours of white peach and lemon sorbet balanced by fine acidity and a touch of residual sweetness.

VINTAGE OVERVIEW

After a lower yielding 2021 vintage, Marlborough was blessed with outstanding weather in December providing near perfect flowering conditions and a subsequent great fruit set. This translated into an increased number of berries per bunch, and helped offset the slightly lower than average bunch numbers which was a result of the cooler weather we experienced during flowering in 2020. The great weather conditions continued through January with above average daily temperatures and sunshine hours, punctuated by timely periods of rainfall. This ensured optimal soil water status giving great canopy development and health. Initially it looked like an early start to harvest but then we saw periods with cooler temperatures and increased rainfall in late January and early February. This slowed development and extended the ripening period with harvest commencing in the 3rd week of March and concluding at the end of April. The extended ripening period has lead to wines with great balance and poise ensuring some outstanding components to go into this years' blends.

VINIFICATION

A single vineyard wine from our Rapaura Block vineyard, these grapes were harvested in the cool hours of the morning, hand-picked and gently whole bunch pressed using only free run juice and fermented in stainless steel vessels. Once the desired sugar and acid balance was achieved in the wine it was chilled to arrest fermentation. The wine was then left on light lees to gain extra complexity and weight.

FLAVOUR PROFILE

Lemon	0	Citrus	
Floral		White Peach	\bigcirc

VINEYARD COMPOSITION



TECHNICAL DATA

Harvested 24th March 2022

Alc	9%
RS	42.6g/L
TA	9.7g/L
рН	3.01

