



# TOHU WHENUA AWA

# SINGLE VINEYARD | RIESLING | 2018 |

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

ABOUT THIS WINE: Handcrafted crisp and vibrant dry-style Riesling harvested from the boutique Puketapu block. Fresh and fruit-forward, with great cellaring potential.

VINEYARD: Awatere Valley, Marlborough, New Zealand. Puketapu (Sacred Hill) Block. Planted 2002. 2.89ha. Dashwood shallow silt loam.

## TASTING NOTE

- aromas of citrus zest, green apple and subtle spring florals
- mouth-filling apple, lemon, white peach and sweet lime on the palate
- abundant natural acidity and mineral notes -will continue to develop with careful cellaring

### VITICULTURE

- near perfect flowering conditions
- a warmer-than-average January followed by a very wet, challenging February
- $\cdot \ rigorous \ canopy \ management \ and \ fruit \ thinning$
- $\boldsymbol{\cdot}$  early hand-harvest due to the warmer season

#### WINEMAKING

- · a single parcel of carefully hand-picked grapes
- clear free-run pressed juice was transferred directly to stainless steel tanks
- harder pressings were allowed to gently oxidise in order to soften harsh phenolics before blending
- fermented with a specialist Riesling yeast at cool temperatures to capture aromatics and freshness
- the wine was racked off yeast lees and left in tank allowing flavour compounds to develop and integrate
- $\cdot\ bottled\ June\ 2018-4344\ bottles\ produced$

ANALYSIS: Vintage: 2018 | Alcohol: 12% | pH: 2.97 | T/A: 8g/L | R.S: 4g/L