



Matawhero

Distinctively Gisborne.

2021 TASTING NOTES

Church House Pinot Noir

Beautiful juicy fruit with lovely earthy tones

VINEYARD	Tietjen
CLONE	ENTAV-INRA 220
APPELLATION	Hexton Hills
ALCOHOL	11.55%
TA	8.92 g/L
PH	3.52
RESIDUAL SUGAR	<1.0g/L



Wine Notes

COLOUR	Deep crimson.
AROMA	Aromatic strawberry jam notes with forest floor characters adding complexity.
PALATE	Soft, rich and full of summer fruits (strawberries and raspberries) and complex forest floor.
FOOD MATCH	BBQ pork or Peking duck.

Vineyard Review

The grapes for this wine are grown on the Tietjen vineyard in the Hexton Hills appellation of Gisborne. The Dijon 777 clone are carefully managed to produce quality table wine. With only three canes laid down for the season, these lower yields ensure early ripeness with intense fruit flavours.

Winemaking

The harvest decisions at Matawhero are made after the winemaker and the viticulturist concur that the grapes are flavour ready. Harvested in the cool of the morning to retain the delicate Pinot Noir flavours, the fruit for this wine reached lovely ripeness after another warm summer in Gisborne. The fruit was destemmed to traditional open topped fermenters. 40 % of the free run juice was drained off for Rosé and the rest of the juice was inoculated with D254 yeast. Pumped over twice daily for about 4 days to reach 5 brix, the juice was kept cold to allow flavour pick up before undergoing warm fermentation. The wine was then settled and racked and inoculated for full malolactic fermentation in tank and some oak barrels to add finesse, The wine was then stabilised and bottled.

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