

Artist Series Winemaker's Notes

The 2014 vintage was a relatively balanced growing year in the Awatere Valley, where we enjoy slightly drier conditions, warmer days and cooler nights, than other parts of Marlborough. At 15 years of age, the densely planted vines have their roots deep into the old glacial soils, and producing fruit with complex flavour profiles with beautiful structure. The vines were hand-tended and specifically selected to produce grapes for the Artist Series. Both wines underwent a natural, indigenous ferment.

## Pinot Noir

The 2014 vintage offered winemaker John Belsham the opportunity to craft a wine that expresses his love and admiration for architecture and design. The precise, yet elegant structure is complemented by soft, seamless layers of flavour that are generous and intriguing. Dark cherry and dusty rose intermingle with earthy mushrooms and savoury spice flavours that are focused and finish with a fine, lingering finish.

5,862 bottles produced | Alc. 14.0% | Unfined-Vegan Friendly

## La Lapine Sauvignon Blanc

Only declared in exceptional vintages, La Lapine has re-defined what Sauvignon Blanc is and can be. Standing on shoulders of giants, she is a style conceived by John Belsham, and together with a team of exceptional minds, he crafted one of the most respected wines in the world. The wine is refined, elegant, and very ageable, with luscious flavours of white peach, warm citrus, and honeycomb with underlying flavours of savoury herb and flint wrapped in a silky texture.

3,033 bottles produced | Alc. 13.0%

