

# Wine Orbit

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Winery Name	Wine Name	Region	100 pts	5 Stars
<b>French Peak</b>	<b>Chardonnay 2023</b>	North Canterbury	<b>94</b>	<b>5</b>
Stylish and complex, the wine shows golden peach, vanilla, roasted hazelnut and oatmeal characters on the nose, followed by a wonderfully weighted palate offering richness backed by beautifully infused acidity, finishing long and comforting. At its best: now to 2029. \$50.00. <a href="http://www.frenchpeak.co.nz">www.frenchpeak.co.nz</a> . March 2024.				
<b>French Peak</b>	<b>Rosé 2023</b>	North Canterbury	<b>91</b>	<b>4.5</b>
It's complex and restrained on the nose, showing ripe stone fruit, red apple, subtle spice, and dried grass nuances. This leads to a finely textured palate that's linear and mouth-watering. The wine offers ripe fruit notes with a savoury undertone, finishing long and pleasingly dry. At its best: now to 2025. \$40.00. <a href="http://www.frenchpeak.co.nz">www.frenchpeak.co.nz</a> . March 2024.				
<b>French Peak</b>	<b>Pinot Gris 2023</b>	North Canterbury	<b>93</b>	<b>5</b>
Beautifully fruited and elegantly fragrant, the bouquet shows apricot, poached pear, lemon zest and floral aromas, leading to a succulent palate that's silky and vibrant at the same time. Splendidly composed and refreshing with a lengthy tasty finish. At its best: now to 2028. \$40.00. <a href="http://www.frenchpeak.co.nz">www.frenchpeak.co.nz</a> . March 2024.				
<b>French Peak</b>	<b>Pinot Noir 2023</b>	North Canterbury	<b>93</b>	<b>5</b>
Seductive and inviting, the bouquet shows dark berry, thyme, warm mushroom and toasted almond notes on the nose, leading to a beautifully weighted palate offering fleshy texture combined with layers of fine tannins. Splendidly structured with stylish complexity, finishing persistent and delectable. At its best: now to 2030. \$40.00. <a href="http://www.frenchpeak.co.nz">www.frenchpeak.co.nz</a> . March 2024.				
<b>French Peak</b>	<b>Kumara's Reserve Pinot Noir 2023</b>	North Canterbury	<b>94</b>	<b>5</b>
This is gorgeously composed and expressed, showing dark plum, hazelnut, smoked game and toasted spice aromas, followed by a concentrated palate displaying plush texture backed by beautifully melded tannins. It's succulent and supple with savoury nuances, finishing splendidly long and satisfying. At its best: now to 2032. \$45.00. <a href="http://www.frenchpeak.co.nz">www.frenchpeak.co.nz</a> . March 2024.				
<b>French Peak</b>	<b>Sauvignon Blanc 2023</b>	North Canterbury	<b>93</b>	<b>5</b>
It's delightfully aromatic on the nose, showing Granny Smith apple, grapefruit, apricot and lemon zest aromas. The palate delivers excellent vibrancy together with fine texture and racy acidity, finishing long and exuberant. At its best: now to 2028. \$40.00. <a href="http://www.frenchpeak.co.nz">www.frenchpeak.co.nz</a> . March 2024.				