

Satellite

Pinot Noir 2020

Region	Marlborough, New Zealand
Vineyards	Waihopai Valley - Johnson Estate - Top terraces with clay/silt loam lenses over free draining alluvium. Upper Wairau Valley - Spy Valley Black Knight Vineyard
Viticulture	Viticulturist - Adam McCone Vertical shoot positioning, shoot and bunch thinning to restrict yield.
Winemaking	Winemakers - Wendy Stuckey & Emily Gaspard-Clark Selected estate vineyard blocks were kept separate until final blending. The grape bunches are mostly destemmed and all fermented in open vats. After gentle plunging during fermentation to extract colour and flavour the wine was pressed off skins and matured for 11 months prior to blending.
Vintage	The 2020 season followed a similar pattern to last year. A warm spring allowed the vines to escape frosts, while an above-average rainfall led to early flowering. The temperatures in January and February were more moderate which alleviated some of the effects of drought and led to clean, disease free fruit.
Technical	Pick dates: 7 & 31 March 2020 Brix 22.0 - 24.0 Brix Alcohol 13.0% Residual sugar 0.6 g/L
Aroma	Hints of Cherry with an overlay of dried spice and cloves.
Palate	Layers of bright red fruit with hints of vanillin oak creating a finely balanced and long finish.



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