



## SECRET STONE NEW ZEALAND

### MARLBOROUGH PINOT NOIR

Secret Stone takes its name from the rare and precious greenstone found hidden beneath the riverbeds throughout New Zealand's South Island. This greenstone is crafted into beautiful carvings that are passed down from one generation to the next. Nestled within these greenstone heartlands, lies the wine region of Marlborough.

Marlborough has not only developed an international reputation for its Sauvignon Blanc, but its climate is also very fitting for growing some of New Zealand's most beautiful and consistent Pinot Noir; individual parcels were cold soaked from fermented separately, then gently plunged three times a day to help build tannins. This wine is great value, showcasing what Marlborough can do with Pinot Noir without being too flashy.

This is a young and vibrant wine with aromas of spicy plum and hints of smoky cherry. The palate is smooth and velvety with a savoury finish and subtle tannins.



### WINEMAKER COMMENTS

#### Vineyard Region

Marlborough, New Zealand

#### Grape Variety

Pinot Noir

#### Maturation

Fermented and matured in a mixture of new and seasoned French oak barrels.

#### Colour

Vibrant ruby red.

#### Nose

Fragrant dark cherry and spicy plum, with smoky notes and hints of forest floor complexity.

#### Palate

A smooth, velvety palate with spicy plum and smoky cherry flavours, a lengthy, savoury finish and subtle tannins.

#### Peak Drinking

Enjoyable on release, or will develop further complexity with careful medium term cellaring.

#### Food Match

Crispy duck pancakes, or chargrilled quail.