

MUDDY WATER

Hare's Breath Pinot Noir 2009

Waipara • New Zealand



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Winery Principals	Greystone Wines Limited
Winemaker	Belinda Gould
Wine Specifications	
Cases imported	112
Blend Percentage	100% Pinot Noir
Alcohol	14%
T/A	5.5g/L
pH	3.60
Residual Sugar	<0.5g/L
Brix at Harvest	23.8 – 26.0
Harvest Dates	March 25 th – 31 st , 2009
Bottling Dates	August 17 th , 2010

Vineyards

Location

Waipara Valley, New Zealand; Gentle sloping hillside

Soils

Limestone Derived Clay, aspect – slopes North

Vines

Planted in 2002. Clones: 667,777,115. High density planting for naturally low yielding and therefore better quality production. Certified Organic Vineyard since October 2010. Winery was certified organic in March 2011.

Vintage

Selected fruit only, hand harvested and sorted

Vinification

Destemmed into small open top fermenters, cold soak 5–6 days, native fermentation started after 5 days. Manual cap management. Total time on skins 28–30 days. Pressed, settled then racked to barrels, 30% new French oak. Full malolactic in barrel. Aged for 15 months before racking, (fining with egg whites if needed), settling and bottling without any filtration.

Winemaker's Notes

Bouquet

Is intriguing and distinctive, combining complex floral and fruity, ripe plum and cherry flavors with a delicate hint of musk and spices.

Palate

The mouth is complex, elegant and spicy. An earthy touch does enrich the identity of this single block. Tannins are present and elegant but should polish up with time in the cellar. The fruity and mineral notes add depth and distinction.

Serving Suggestions

Fig stuffed pigeon or seared scallops Carpaccio with black truffle will harmonize the delicacy and texture of this Pinot Noir

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The name Muddy Water is a direct translation from the Maori place name: wai (water) and para (mud).

Top-notch... Fun [brand] that embraces the Kiwi spirit.
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