

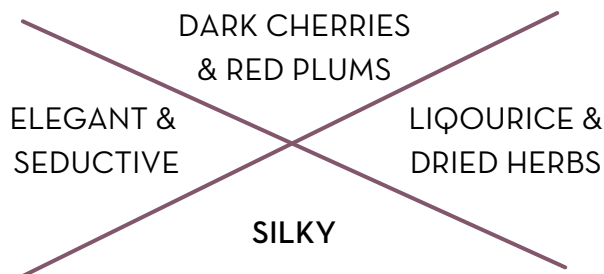


**Expressions**  
2021 Marlborough  
Silky Pinot Noir

Pinot Noir with charm and substance. There is nothing fickle about this Pinot Noir - from the dry, free-draining soils of the Awatere, Wairau and Southern Valleys, this is classic Marlborough Pinot Noir - vibrant with depth of character and complexity.

Underneath the varietal Pinot charm, lies a serious side wine with an enticing richness of dark cherries, red plums, licorice, dried herbs and wild mushroom.

Fragrance and fruit sweetness are met by firm acidity and svelte tannins. Toasty French oak completes the structure, providing an air of class, worthy of this noble variety - a perfectly balanced Pinot Noir with all the sophistication and none of the temperament.





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**Technical Notes**

Bottling Date	27/07/2022
pH	3.7
TA g/L	5.2
Glucose g/L	<2
Sub-Region	A Selection of Dijon Clones from the Wairau, Awatere and Southern Valleys
Harvest Method	Hand-picked and selective machine harvested
Processing	Destemmed with approx 50% whole berries kept in tact
Fermentation	Cold soaked for several days, followed by spontaneous fermentation, then co-inoculated and fermented with cap aeration 3 x times per day for gentle extraction of colour and tannin
Maturation	9 months in French oak barriques (20% New)
Awards & Accolades	4 Stars Michael Cooper

