

Te Kairanga

2009 JOHN MARTIN PINOT NOIR MARTINBOROUGH

Distinctively boutique, Te Kairanga was established over 25 years ago and is one of Martinborough's founding wineries. We have six vineyards here, each with its own distinctive characteristics and suited to different varieties and viticultural practises. Our focus is handcrafted, benchmark Pinot Noirs that showcase old world style with new world flair, and are true representations of the Martinborough growing region.

JOHN MARTIN

A famed runholder who founded Martinborough, John Martin bequeathed land to the township, which is where the first vines in the region were planted. Te Kairanga currently sits on part of John Martin's original run of land and the Pinot Noir we have named for him is made from a barrel selection of our very best parcels of wine.

WINEMAKING

Low-cropping vines, selective hand-picking, small batch fermentation and sensitive oak handling contribute to producing this fine wine. Winemaking is 'hands-on,' with traditional fermentation in small vats (two to three tonnes), hand-plunging and gentle pressing off. Our winemaking facility uses 'gravity' principles for gentle handling of the grapes - a key contributor to quality.

WINE

Our 2009 John Martin Pinot Noir leads with intense spice, plum and black cherry aromas followed by rich, concentrated fruit flavours supported by notes of toasty oak. Soft, silky tannins and supple texture round out the palate.

COMPOSITION 100% Pinot Noir

CLONES Abel, 777, 667

REGION Martinborough, New Zealand

ALCOHOL 14.5%

AGING 20 months in French oak barriques, 50% new

TA 5.2 g/L

3.74

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