

TASTING NOTES



B & W Wines

OPAWA PINOT NOIR, 2011

BACKGROUND

MEANING "SMOKEY RIVER" IN MAORI, OPAWA PINOT NOIR IS NAMED AFTER THE VINEYARD IN WHICH THE NAUTILUS WINERY IS SITUATED. THE OPAWA RIVER FORMED THE GRAVEL SOILS THAT MAKE UP THE MARLBOROUGH WINEGROWING HEARTLAND WHICH INCLUDES THE NAUTILUS OPAWA VINEYARD, AND LEAD TO THE RIPE, JUICY STRUCTURE OF THIS WINE. BUILDING ON NAUTILUS' REPUTATION AS ONE OF THE REGION'S MOST RESPECTED PRODUCERS OF PINOT NOIR, AND ITS SPECIALISED PINOT NOIR WINEMAKING FACILITY, OPAWA MEETS A DEMAND FOR A TOP QUALITY, MID PRICE PINOT.

WINEMAKING

THIS WINE WAS MADE FROM SELECTED PREMIUM VINEYARDS IN OUR DEDICATED PINOT NOIR CELLAR USING PRINCIPLES OF MINIMAL HANDLING AND GRAVITY FLOW. AFTER A COLD SOAK AND INDIGENOUS FERMENTATION THE WINE WAS PRESSED INTO FRENCH OAK BARRIQUES, BEFORE BEING CLARIFIED AND BOTTLED IN MARCH 2010.

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A MEDIUM BODIED AND BEAUTIFULLY BALANCED MARLBOROUGH PINOT NOIR WITH AROMAS OF ROSE, CHERRIES, BOYSENBERRIES AND DARK CHOCOLATE. ELEGANT AND MULTI-LAYERED FRUIT FLAVOURS ARE ENHANCED BY SUBTLE OAK SPICES.



VINTAGE: 2011

WINERY: OPAWA ([HTTP://WWW.OPAWAWINE.COM/](http://www.opawawine.com/))

REGION: MARLBOROUGH

AVAILABILITY: COMING SOON TO CONSIGNMENT

CASE QUANTITY: 12 BOTTLES PER CASE

BOTTLE SIZE: 750 ML

COMPOSITION: PINOT NOIR (100%)