

HAWKE'S BAY

ARTISANAL CHENIN BLANC 2022

VINEYARD DESCRIPTION

This is a single vineyard wine from the Two Terraces Vineyard situated inland at Mangatahi. The Chenin Blanc plantings are located on the lower of the two gravel river terraces formed by the Ngaruroro River. Two clones of Chenin Blanc (220 and 880) are planted, with each providing its own distinctive characteristics to the finished wine. Planted in 2017, these vines are intensively managed in the pursuit of quality wine.

WINEMAKING

The grapes were harvested, gently pressed and the juice settled overnight before being run to a mix of large format oak barrels and small tanks for fermentation with wild yeast. The tank fermented portion was stopped with a small amount of residual sugar to provide richness to the final blend. The wine was aged on its lees with regular stirring until being blended in January 2023. 550 cases were bottled.

WINEMAKERS COMMENT

This wine reveals classic Chenin Blanc notes of baked apple, peach, citrus and honey. It is dry in style with a full and rich palate, enhanced by long term ageing on yeast lees. It is delicious as a young wine but will gain complexity with time in the bottle and will make the perfect accompaniment to seafood dishes.

IDEAL DRINKING

2023-2031

TECHNICAL DETAILS

VARIETIES: 100% Chenin Blanc

ALCOHOL: 13.0%

TOTAL ACIDITY: 7.4 g/l

PH: 3.35

RESIDUAL SUGAR: 7.7 g/l

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