

## BABICH LASTING CHARACTER

# Marlborough Pinot Noir

In the early 1980's Babich Wines was the first New Zealand wine company to win a Gold Medal for Pinot Noir, and that legacy of excellence remains.

From our 100% certified sustainable vineyards in Marlborough's prime subregions, comes this smoothly luxurious Pinot Noir, displaying delicate spice, plum, cherry and earthy flavours.







### WINEMAKER NOTES

Cherry, vanilla, plum and cedar. Also darker earthy notes and a touch of cinnamon.

Gentle on entry with raspberry notes leading the way. Red fruits are soon joined by plum, dried herbs, mushroom and coffee bean. Medium weight with good volumes and density from the fine tannins. Layered and mouthwatering wine with a persistent spicy finish.

### FOOD RECOMMENDATION

An ideal partner to strongly flavoured foods such as balsamic marinated steak or salami, artichokes, olives and sun-dried tomatoes.

### **AWARDS**

### INFORMATION

First Vintage 1997

Grape Variety Pinot Noir

Region Marlborough

Clonal Selection Predominately 667; 777;

114

Harvest Method Machine, de-stemmed at

harvest

Harvest Dates Various

Harvest Analysis Various

Processing Open rollers (un-crushed

berries)

Fermentation Vessel Open vats

Up to 32C with minimal Fermentation plunging. Some post

ferment skin contact.

Malolactic Yes

Maturation 4-5 months in barrels

Fining Gelatine

Filtration Yes

## **TECHNICAL NOTES**

Alcohol 12.5%

TA 5.1 g/L

pH 3.73

Residual Sugar 0.3 g/L