



LAWSON'S DRY HILLS

WHITE LABEL PINOT NOIR 2011

Region: Marlborough

Winemaker: Marcus Wright/Rebecca Wiffen.

Alcohol: 13.00% **pH:** 3.55 **RS:** 1.5

TA: 6.2 **Brix:** 23.8 - 25.5

Tasting Notes

This wine shows lovely aromatic complexity with bright red berry fruit flavours, balanced with smoky, savoury notes. The palate is elegant with gentle acidity and delicious berry fruit flavours, complemented by fine oak tannins and vanilla.

Winemaker's Notes

The grapes were picked in the cool of the morning and de-stemmed into open top fermenters. We use the traditional Burgundian techniques of small batch fermentation and hand-plunging. After pressing the resulting wines were matured in a mixture of new and older French oak barriques (225Lts).

Viticulture Notes

Sourced from the adjacent Lawson's and the Barnsley vineyards in Marlborough's Waihopai valley. The vines were carefully managed, hand leaf plucked, shoot and fruit thinned to ensure we produced a low crop and even ripeness of the grapes. This done, we harvested the grapes in ideal condition with a deep colour, intense flavours and balanced acidity.

Cellaring

Two to three years, additional complexity will develop in the bottle with cellaring

Food Match

Lighter game and red meat dishes.



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Awards & Reviews

Cuisine Magazine

★★★★

BEST BUY - This stalwart Marlborough producer's Pinot Noir vines are becoming older and wiser and have a hand in this wine's supple tannins. Red fruit notes and a hint of leafiness contribute to a complex, balanced Pinot Noir to serve with pork and fennel sausage

International Wine Challenge (Tranche 2) 2014 - COMMENDED

Decanter World Wine Awards 2014 - Bronze medal

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