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Pinot Noir

KAITIHBOROUGH WINE of NEW ZEALAND

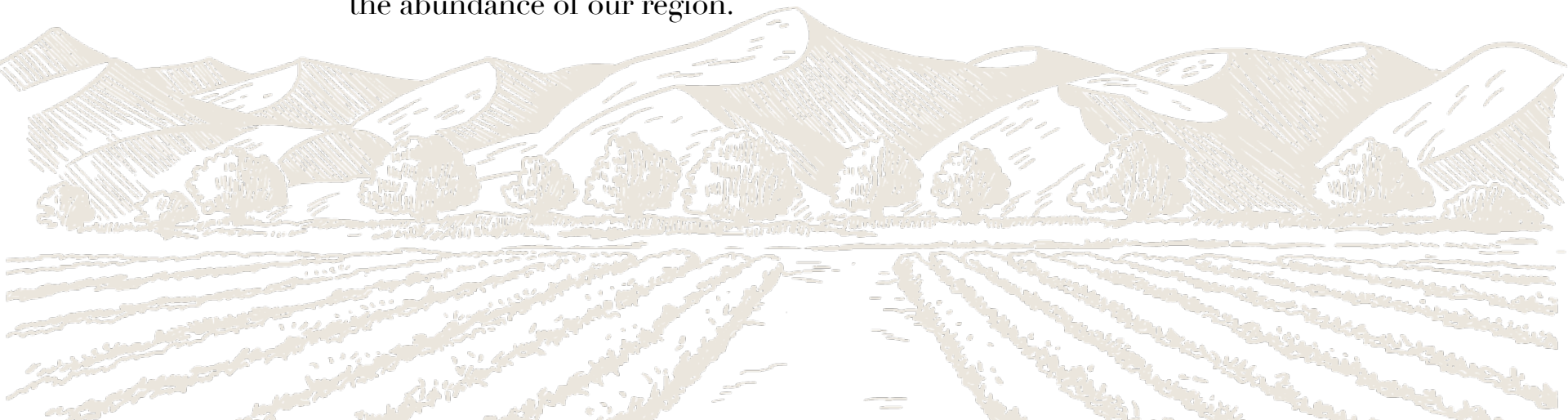
OUR STORY

“Te Kai-ranga”

Established in 1984, Te Kairanga is an important part of the Martinborough wine story. Our vines are planted on land that was originally owned by the founding father of Martinborough, John Martin.

While our land is steeped in history, our winemaking is very much focused on the future; “to fully realise the potential of this incredible piece of land,” according to our Head Winemaker John Kavanagh.

Pinot Noir is the beating heart of Te Kairanga. Small parcels of Chardonnay, Sauvignon Blanc, Pinot Gris and Riesling showcase the abundance of our region.



OUR PLACE

When you come over the Remutaka Ranges from Wellington, there's this dry open valley.

Martinborough is a special place that captures people. Once known for its sheep farming, it captured the imagination of a new generation who were becoming passionate and interested in wine.

Our winemaker, John Kavanagh came to Martinborough for Pinot Noir.



MARTINBOROUGH

Located at the foot of New Zealand's North Island.

Accounts for only 2% of New Zealand's wine production.

Protected from the harsh elements by a range of mountains to the southwest and west, it has a mild, breezy, dry climate, ideal for cool-climate grape growing. Our ideal confluence of geology and geography is the perfect climate and terrain to produce exceptional Pinot Noir.



OUR CELLAR DOOR

*Housed in the 130-year old cottage of
Martinborough's namesake, John Martin.*

Once home to John Martin's senior stockman, today the cottage is home to our award-winning wines showcasing the bounty of our incredible landscape.

With its rustic aesthetic, inviting surrounding and intimate setting, it's a central location to discover and experience our place.



OUR VINEYARDS

*Four vineyard sites in the Martinborough appellation.
Home, McLeod, Spring Rock and Rua Vineyards.*

This gives us a wide array of aromatics, flavours, textures and styles to work with.

The Martinborough Terrace, is home to our Home and McLeod Vineyards and some of the oldest vines in the region. Once a riverbed, it features deep ancient gravel and alluvial soils. A soil type that is unique and definitive for the varieties that we do well with.

Our Spring Rock and Rua vineyards sit at slightly higher elevations with more extreme conditions. This intense environment helps give us a greater balance to our wines.



OUR WINEMAKING

We produce wines that are very distinct.

We have a real curiosity to keep experimenting and perfecting. So long as it's a true expression of where we are.

Our winemaking philosophy places a premium on the character of each vineyard.

Gentle winemaking techniques and minimal filtration ensure our wines maintain their fresh flavour and distinct characters.



OUR PEOPLE

John Kavanagh - Chief Winemaker

A graduate of Lincoln University with a post graduate diploma in Viticulture and Oenology, John was born and raised in Waiuku, south of Auckland. After his studies, John moved to Martinborough to follow his passion for Pinot Noir and became the chief winemaker at Te Kairanga in 2012.

His philosophy is to honour the past while looking to the future; “While our land is steeped in history, our winemaking is very much focused on the future - to fully realise the potential of this incredible piece of land.”



OUR PEOPLE

Dave Shepherd - Viticulturist / Vineyard Manager

Dave was born and raised in Blenheim, joined the team at Te Kairanga as the viticulturist in 2013. He served in similar roles at Escarpment, Craggy Range and Dog Point. Dave focuses on the seasonal variations within the vineyards.



OUR WINES



Sauvignon Blanc



Pinot Gris



Chardonnay



Rosé



Pinot Noir

RUNHOLDER PINOT NOIR



A nod to Martinborough's pioneering namesake John Martin, who once farmed our land with sheep, earning him the name of 'runholder'. This Pinot Noir is sourced from our home vineyards planted on his original land holdings. Beautiful dark red hues lead to an aromatic flurry of cherries, spices and classic Martinborough savoury, earthy notes. The palate displays vibrant fruit flavours finishing with fine silky tannins.

Awards:

Best New Zealand Pinot Noir, Decanter
World Wine Awards 2017

Gold with 95 Points, Decanter World Wine
Awards 2019

Gold, Royal Easter Show 2021

JOHN MARTIN CHARDONNAY

Named after the founding father of Martinborough, John Martin, this wine is made from our best vineyard parcels and some of the oldest vines in the region. Complex and rich aromas of stone fruits accented by roasted nuts and brioche make this a beautiful chardonnay in more ways than one. A rich, yet elegant palate leads to a long, rounded finish.

Awards:

94 Points, The Real Review, Bob Campbell, 2018

Gold, Royal Easter Show, 2018

94 Points, Wine Orbit, Sam Kim, 2019

94 Points, Bob Campbell 2019

4.5 stars, Michael Cooper 2019

94 Points, Bob Campbell 2020



JOHN MARTIN PINOT NOIR



Named after the founding father of Martinborough, John Martin, this wine is made from our best vineyard parcels from his original landholdings and some of the oldest vines in the region. With an elegant bouquet of ripe fruits, exotic spices and finely seasoned oak, leading to a full, soft flowing palate our John Martin Pinot Noir is a pinot for pinot lovers.

Awards:

95 Points, The Real Review, Bob Campbell, 2017
Gold, New Zealand International Wine Show 2017
Gold, Decanter World Wine Awards 2018
94 Points, The Real Review, Bob Campbell, 2018
5 Stars, Micheal Cooper 2018
Best in Show, with 97 Points, Decanter World Wine Awards 2019
Fine Wines of New Zealand 2019, 2020
Gold, New Zealand International Wine Show 2020
'Best Lighter Red', Dan Murphy's Decoded Wine Awards 2021

WORLD CLASS WINES



Te Kairanga John Martin Pinot Noir

Fine Wines of New Zealand 2019, 2020

2015: 95 Points Bob Campbell 2017

Gold, New Zealand International Wine Show 2017

2016: Gold with 96 Points, Decanter World Wine Awards 2018

94 Points Bob Campbell 2018

2017: Best in Show with 97 Points, Decanter World Wine Awards 2019

Gold New Zealand International Wine Show Show 2017

2018: Gold, New Zealand International Wine Show 2020

'Best Lighter Red', Dan Murphy's Decoded Wine Awards 2021

Te Kairanga Runholder Pinot Noir

2015: Best New Zealand Pinot Noir, Decanter World Wine Awards 2017

2017: Gold with 97 Points Decanter World Wine Awards 2018

2019: Gold, Royal Easter Show 2020

Te Kairanga Pinot Noir 2019

Gold, Royal Easter Show 2021

Te Kairanga Rosé 2018

Gold at the Sydney International Wine Competition 2018

Te Kairanga Sauvignon Blanc 2019

Gold, Royal Easter Show 2020

NEW HOSPITALITY DEVELOPMENT

*Our new hospitality development is set to open in 2022
and will be the new home for Te Kairanga.*

The development will include a restaurant, private dining, tasting room, underground barrel hall, and Lighthouse Gin distillery. Nestled on the edge of the Martinborough Terrace, it will be the perfect location to enjoy local wine, gin and dining while taking in the spectacular rolling hills surrounding Martinborough.



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