



# Te Kairanga

## 2011 CASARINA CHARDONNAY MARTINBOROUGH

Distinctively boutique, Te Kairanga was established over 25 years ago and is one of Martinborough's founding wineries. We have six vineyards here, each with its own distinctive characteristics and suited to different varieties and viticultural practises. Our focus is handcrafted, benchmark wines that showcase old world style with new world flair, and are true representations of the Martinborough growing region.

### CASARINA

Our Casarina Chardonnay is named after the elegant Casuarina trees that once sheltered our home block vineyard. The finest Chardonnay we produce, it is made only from fruit showing the most exceptional ripeness and flavour.

### WINEMAKING

Low-cropping vines, selective hand-picking, whole-bunch pressing, and small batch fermentation contribute to producing this fine wine. Small batches were processed separately, then barrel fermented in selected French oak barriques. A portion of the wine underwent malolactic fermentation to add weight on the palate. The wine was matured on its yeast lees, with regular stirring to add complexity.

### WINE

A classic Martinborough Chardonnay. The nose has melon, white flesh peach and nectarine with hints of toasted almond from barrel fermentation. This wine is elegant, yet powerful.

COMPOSITION	100% Chardonnay
CLONES	Mendoza, 95, 96, 15
REGION	Martinborough, New Zealand
ALCOHOL	13.5%
AGING	9 months in French oak barriques, 11% new
TA	6.6 g/L
PH	3.17



TE KAIRANGA (tee-kigh-runga): WHERE THE SOIL IS RICH AND THE FOOD IS PLENTIFUL.