

DUBLIN · ST

Dublin St Pinot Noir 2020 Reserve

Certified Sustainable ✓
Vegan ✓



Region: Martinborough, New Zealand

Martinborough is a picturesque colonial village surrounded by small vineyards. With a climate and soil profile similar to that of Burgundy, Martinborough has excited the wine world. Acclaimed Pinot Noir, vivid Sauvignon Blanc, and elegant aromatics and Syrah are all produced in this most southerly Wairarapa sub-region, which boasts free-draining soils and a cool, dry climate. The region's flagship wine is Pinot Noir: richly flavoured and warm with a savoury undercurrent whilst retaining perfumed varietal character. Martinborough Pinot Noir delivers texture and depth.

Site

Dublin St is a 4-hectare vineyard at the southern edge of Martinborough village that has been organically run for 10 + years (not certified). It is dry-farmed, with the vines planted on a clay soil structure over the top of free-draining former river bed that is slightly more elevated than the rest of town. It is exposed to the south with heat exposure from a northeast aspect. The vines are planted in clone 5 and the Dijon clones of 667, 777, 114, 115, half of which are planted on their own rootstock. Annual production is 10-15 tonnes, producing around 1,000 cases a year.

Winemaking

All winemaking takes place on site. Small batch, mainly 1 - 1.5 ton ferments. Handpicked at 23 -23.5 brix. 20% whole bunch, with 100% wild ferments. 14 – 15 days on skins, basket pressed to French oak barriques (20% new). Alc. 13.1%.

Tasting note

Medium dark red with purple tint. Subtle red fruits, hazelnut, spice and oak notes on the nose. The palate is lovely, full and sweet fruited. Gentle yet pleasingly rich and elegant.

Reviews & Awards

NZ International Wine Show, 2023

Champion Trophy for Pinot Noir
Gold Medal



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96 Points - Sam Kim, Wine Orbit

Gorgeously fruited and perfumed, the bouquet shows Black Doris plum, floral, roasted hazelnut and smoky bacon nuances, followed by a succulent palate offering plush mouthfeel and velvety texture. Mouthfilling and superbly long on the finish with loads of delectable flavours. (Jan 2022)



95 Points – Bob Campbell, The Real Review

Elegant Pinot Noir that is a mix of ripe berries and savoury characters. Deliciously accessible wine with a perfect balance of fruit sweetness and tangy acidity. (Jan 2024)

95 Points – Cameron Douglas MS

A bouquet of power and richness, concentration and style with scents of smoky oak and baking spices, dark cherry flesh and boysenberry. On the palate a dry wine with a youthful taut palate squeeze, an abundance of textured, ripe tannins, plenty of acidity and fine savoury energy. The oak is just right allowing the core of red skinned fruits to take centre stage, great structure and length. (Sept 2024)

