



# ESCARPMENT

MARTINBOROUGH

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## INSIGHT SERIES

### TE REHUA BY ESCARPMENT 2010 SINGLE VINEYARD MARTINBOROUGH PINOT NOIR

Alcohol by volume: 14%

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Total acid: 5.8g/l

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pH: 3.66

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Residual sugar: 1.0g/l

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Total dry extract: 31.3g/l

This wine was grown on the Barton Vineyard, Huangarua Road, Martinborough from vines over 21 years old. A combination of deep alluvial gravels which the Martinborough Terraces are renowned for and a blend of many clones grown in a very sheltered spot always rewards us with a classic example of New World Pinot Noir.

It was open topped fermented in traditional wooded cuvees, hand plunged every 12 hours, with a total vat time of 25 days. After pressing it was matured in 30% new French oak barriques for 12 months. It was fined using a minimum of egg whites to protect the flavours but aid brightness in the glass without filtering, promoting soft mouth feel and texture.

It has a unique site derived complexity combined with black cherry/plum fruit flavours. It will continue to develop for up to 10 years and will always be a wonderful counterpart to any game food.

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