

Boutinot

WINES



Te Mério, 2019

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New Zealand's maritime region of Marlborough is hugely influenced by the oceans that surround this island nation. The image of a mermaid ("Te Mério" in Cook Islander Māori language) seemed an enticing choice to break the mold of the more traditional labels currently being offered.

NZF012

Marlborough

Marlborough, New Zealand

White

12.5%

Screwcap

100% Sauvignon Blanc

HOW IT'S MADE

The wine is dominated by 50% Awatere Valley fruit, with vineyards located on both sides of the river in three sub-regions. Soils on the south bank are deep silt loams and fertile, while the north bank sites are stony, shallow silt loams and lighter in structure. A dry and windy climate in this valley leads to small, thick-skinned berries with an emphasis on herbal intensity. Wairau Valley sites in the Rapaura district and the Southern Valley's make up much of the rest of the blend. These are warmer areas and the soils vary between deep fertile loams, gravelly alluvium and clays. Fruit from these sites is often more tropical, with some ripe citrus characters. Vines are all managed with vertical shoot positioning and pruned to leave balanced bud numbers and crop levels consistent with individual site capacity. The different locations and climates give greater texture, character and flavor to wine. Picking decisions are made entirely on flavor, skin-contact is minimized and cool fermentations with neutral yeast in stainless steel tanks preserve the crisp, fresh varietal nature of the fruit.

TASTING NOTES

Classically aromatic Marlborough Sauvignon Blanc with a gently maritime tang of minerality. It's full of texture and breadth with zesty citrus and white stone fruits. Luscious gooseberry aromas follow through into the palate where it explodes with a full on citrus zing that is balanced by fantastic texture and weight. The finish is clean, crisp and refreshing.

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FOOD MATCH

With more texture than aromatics alone, this is a food-friendly Sauvignon Blanc. It's bright and crisp, flavors are a perfect match with all sea beasts from delicate freshly caught seafood to rich and meaty barbecued king prawns.

AWARDS

ALLERGENS

Contains sulfites and no other allergens

Case / Bottle Size	12 x 750ml
Bottle Barcode	3430560011401
Case Weight	31.57 lbs.
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Capsule Type	Aluminum
Pallet Details	70 cases per pallet / 5 layers