

2010 TE MUNA PINOT NOIR

91 points - *Wine Enthusiast*



The pursuit of Pinot perfection took us far from our California home base to the remote reaches of the South Pacific and the stunningly beautiful nation of New Zealand. We discovered a small and exceptional property along Te Muna Road, an especially remarkable terrace in the celebrated Pinot Noir village of Martinborough. Te Muna is Maori for 'special' or 'secret place,' and this Pinot Noir is the proudly bottled culmination of our lofty endeavor.

This 2010 vintage, the follow-up to our multiple champion trophy-winning inaugural release, strikes the perfect balance between New World fruit and Burgundian character, delivering outstanding elegance, balance and complexity.

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Wine Profile:

Tasting Notes:

Deep ruby-violet color perfumed with aromas of plums, ripe cherries and dried herbs with a hint of lavender. The rich and intense palate adds plum and herb flavors along with berries, spice, bittersweet chocolate and liquorice, followed by a long, lingering finish.

Awards:

Gold Medal, 2013 Hong Kong International Wine Competition

Pure Silver Medal, 2014 Air New Zealand Wine Awards

Silver Medal, 2013 Finger Lakes International Wine Competition

Vintage: 2010

Wine Type: Red Wine

Varietal: Pinot Noir

Varietal Composition:

100% Pinot Noir

Appellation: Martinborough, New Zealand

Harvest Date: April 27, 2010

Barrel Aging:

10 months

100% French oak

30% New oak