



WINEMAKER

David Clouston

FARMING

Sustainable

VARIETALS

Pinot Noir

FEATURES

Screw cap

ABV

13%

AVAILABLE SIZES (L)

0.750



Clouston & Co.

Pinot Noir

NEW ZEALAND, MARLBOROUGH



WINERY OVERVIEW

Clouston & Co., circa 1895, was Marlborough's general merchant, trading and importing wine, wool, and agricultural supplies. Generations later, the Clouston & Co. of today produces estate grown wines using New Zealand's distinctive soil, climate, and pure aquifers. These three ingredients create a unique terroir producing grapes which are expertly crafted together with a family tradition of wine, five generations in the making.

As a young man, David Clouston spent his summer holidays exploring the valleys and rivers of Marlborough with his friends. During his teenage years, David earned extra pocket money by helping on neighboring farms throughout the backdrops of the Awatere Valley and working for growers during vintage in the heart of the Wairau Valley. With some hard graft, and a cheeky glint in his eye, David soon gained the respect of local elders. Taking flight, David embarked on his own and after 22 vintages abroad in locations such as Chile and Corsica, he returned home to Marlborough to set up his own venture. David saw a chance to start a wine brand which could deliver great drinkability and offer growers long term contracts (that are both fair and offer a sustainable future for all). David works closely with select growers and is involved with the day to day viticultural decisions, as well as orchestrating the development of new vineyards in the most extreme micro climates of the Awatere and Wairau valleys.

VINEYARD

Select sites throughout Marlborough - Brookby Hill, Awatere Valley, Wairau Valley

TERROIR

Deep Clay

VITICULTURE

Hand harvested from Southern Valleys vineyards of Marlborough. The vines sit at an altitude of 150m on north facing slopes, and range in age from 10-15 years.

VINIFICATION

Cultured and wild fermentation in open-top stainless-steel fermenters, 20% whole bunches, and hand plunged. Wine is bottled unfiltered and unfiltered.

AGING

Aged for 11 months in French oak barrels.

TASTING NOTES

The bouquet has lifted floral aromas of violets and wild thyme combined with red fruits and a savory earthiness. The palate has crushed raspberries and bright red cherry flavors interlaced with forest floor, coffee bean, and bramble nuances. The wine has a focused frame and a spicy backbone. Velvety tannins and firm structure will ensure this wine ages gracefully.

