

GLENGARRY

# WINELETTER 195

APRIL 2014

# QUARTET

from the soil to the table  
**4** boutique family-operated  
artisan producers



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CHAMPAGNE DRAPPIER  
GALBRAITH'S  
BLACK DOG  
GEKKEIKAN SAKE  
TORBRECK REINVENTED  
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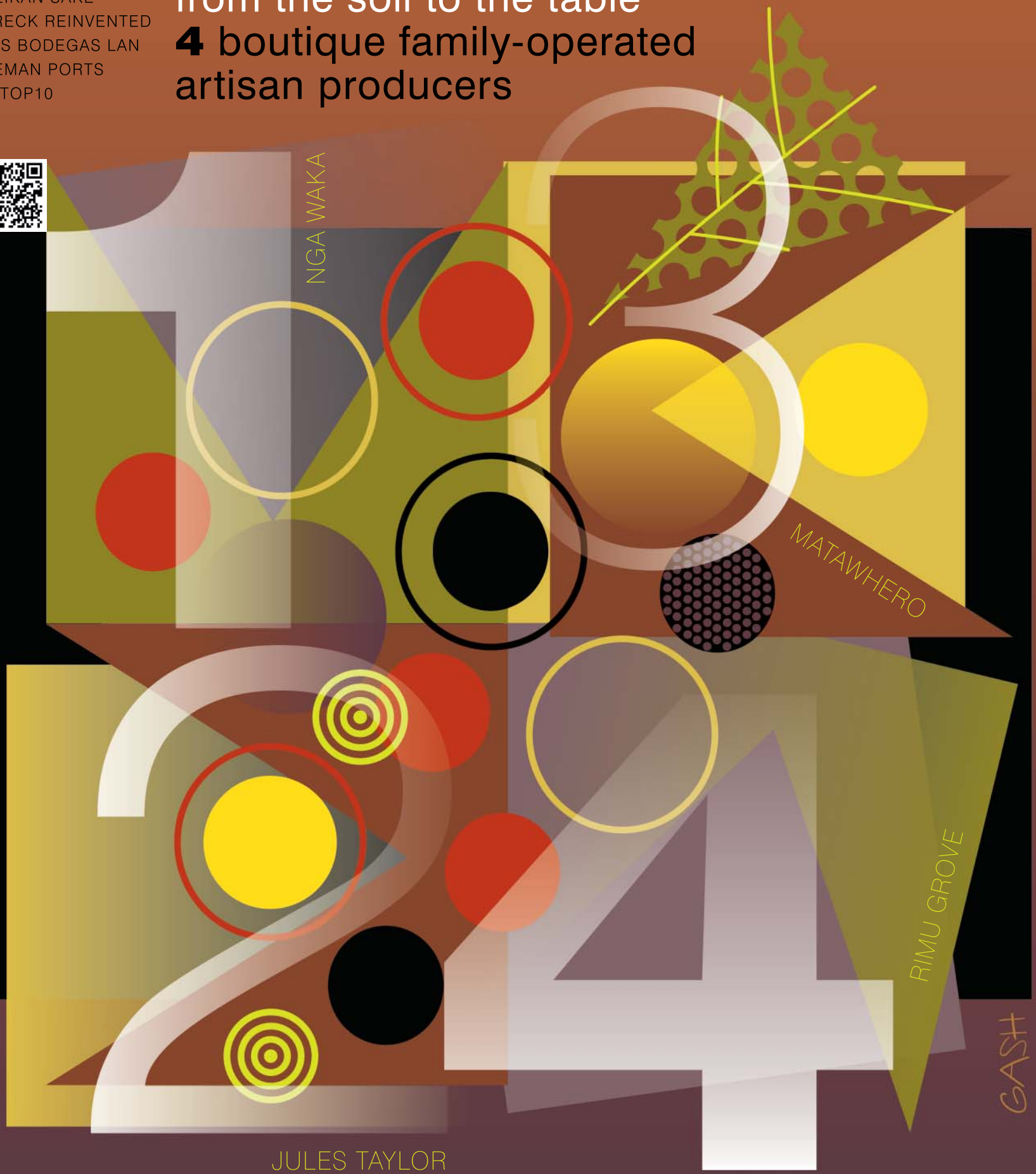
NGA WAKA

MATAWHERO

RIMU GROVE

GASH

JULES TAYLOR



# services

delivery  
 ontime, everytime  
 gift packs  
 for all occasions  
 functions  
 we cater for it all  
 sale and return  
 by arrangement  
 glassware loan/hire  
 wine, beer, spirits, riedel  
 advice  
 on everything wine related  
 monthly offers  
 hot and exclusive!  
 fun and education  
 we're known for it; it's fun!  
 credit accounts  
 join us!

# locations

## AUCKLAND

victoria park  
 118 wellesley st west  
 308 8346

herne bay  
 54 jervois rd  
 378 8555

ponsonby  
 139 ponsonby rd  
 378 8252

parnell  
 164 parnell rd  
 358 1333

newmarket  
 22 morrow st  
 524 5789

mt eden  
 250 dominion rd  
 623 0811

city  
 cnr wellesley st & mayoral dr  
 379 8416

takapuna  
 cnr hurstmere rd & killarney st  
 486 1770

devonport  
 cnr clarence st & wynyard st  
 445 2989

remuera  
 400 remuera rd  
 523 1594

kingsland  
 420 new north rd  
 815 9207

westmere  
 164 garnet rd  
 360 4035

ellerslie  
 87 main highway  
 571 2567

grey lynn  
 16 williamson ave  
 360 0134

## WELLINGTON

thorndon  
 232 thorndon quay  
 472 7051

kelburn  
 85 upland rd  
 475 7849  
 courtenay place  
 paramount cinema building  
 27 courtenay place  
 385 9600

## DIDA'S

dida's wine lounge & tapas  
 HERNE BAY  
 54 jervois rd 376 2813

dida's wine lounge & tapas  
 DEVONPORT  
 54 victoria rd 445 1392

dida's food store  
 HERNE BAY  
 54 jervois rd 361 6157



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CHÂTEAU PONTET-CANET TASTING WITH ALFRED TESSERON, MARCH 2014

Right from the beginning, education has been a focus for us at Glengarry; the Glengarry Wine Academy originated above our Ponsonby Road store as a tool to educate our teams about the wines we carried, so that they could pass on that vital knowledge to you, our customers. More than 25 years on it is still going strong. Along the way it extended its original agenda to become one of New Zealand's leading wine education courses, open to one and all.

There are two stages: to put it simply, the first gives you an overview of everything vinous; the second breaks things down into the component varieties and explores what they do in the various locations around the globe where they are cultivated. You will come out the other end armed to the teeth with everything you need to make your way through the world of wine, whether it's knowing what to look for when selecting that important bottle, furthering your career options, or merely being able to dazzle everyone at the dinner table with your erudite assessments.

Alongside the Wine Academy we run in both Auckland and Wellington, every month we conduct numerous tastings and events, presented in an informative and non-intimidating way; let's face it, there's nothing we like better than sharing our knowledge and taking you on a journey. If the step to a structured tasting is a step too far, our weekly instore tastings may be just the thing to start your wine engine. For details of upcoming tastings and events, visit [www.glengarry.co.nz/tastings](http://www.glengarry.co.nz/tastings)

See you there!

Jak Jakicevich



**AKARUA** CENTRAL OTAGO  
 16306 ALCHEMY ICE 2013 375ML  
**\$48.99**

These Riesling grapes stayed on the vines long enough to see in the beginning of winter in Central Otago. Pushing the envelope, then. The craftsmanship is sublime, but of course it is the artful Matt Connell, who has gently squeezed out the small amount of remaining juice to make this delightful mouthful of opulent southern sweetness. Get Easter eggs for the kids and one of these for yourself, why dontcha.

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# FEARLESS BUNS

A MONTHLY SELECTION OF DELICIOUS, DEPENDABLE REDS AND WHITES WHERE THE PALATE, NOT THE PRICE TAG, PACKS A PUNCH

## KUMEU RIVER KUMEU VILLAGE CHARDONNAY 2011

◀ **\$14.99** 18204

**CASE OF 12 \$13.99 A BOTTLE**  
*NZ's leading Chardonnay exponents*

Tips its hat to Burgundy and its classification levels, as well as that style of Chardonnay, the one that inspired Michael Brajkovich. There is an undeniable minerality, balance and wine-making prowess at work. While this is Kumeu River's first rung on the quality ladder, there is very little that's 'entry level' about it.



## SOHO WHITE COLLECTION MARLBOROUGH PINOT GRIS 2013

**\$16.99** 11295 ▶

**CASE OF 12 \$15.99 A BOTTLE**  
★★★★ *Winestate*

Predominantly Awatere Valley fruit with a little Wairau thrown in for good measure, this is the younger sibling of Soho's Jagger Pinot Gris, an alluring mix of spiced-up apricots and pears wrapped in a robe of silken textures. Smooth, juicy, flavoursome, it ticks all the boxes for some time well spent on the deck, in the sun, with a bit of food on hand.

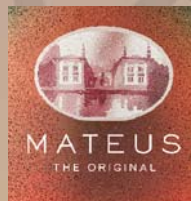


## MILLS REEF RESERVE HAWKES BAY SYRAH 2012

◀ **\$19.99** 14517

**CASE OF 12 \$18.99 A BOTTLE**  
*Hawkes Bay's hot variety*

Hawkes Bay and Syrah go together a bit like Marlborough and Sauvignon Blanc, and while there is still only a relatively small amount of this intriguing variety planted, it is going places. Here, we have 100% Gimblett Gravels fruit, aged for eight months in French oak with a little American for good measure. Pepper and spice sits up front, followed by a silky smooth palate and some gorgeous tannins.



## MATEUS THE ORIGINAL PORTUGAL ROSÉ

**\$9.99** 78211

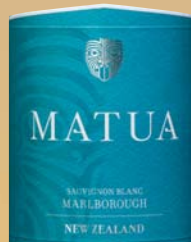
*Portugal's iconic brand is re-invented*



## DE BORTOLI FAMILY SELECTION AUSTRALIA SHIRAZ 2012

**\$9.99** 20923

*Approachable, price-friendly Shiraz*



## MATUA MARLBOROUGH SAUVIGNON BLANC 2013

**\$11.99** 14071

**CASE OF 12 \$10.99 A BOTTLE**  
*The 40th vintage of Matua Sauvignon*



## KAIKEN ARGENTINA MALBEC 2011

**\$14.99** 90555

**CASE OF 12 \$13.99 A BOTTLE**  
*Argentina's favourite variety*



## LAROCHE DE LA CHEVALIÈRE SOUTH OF FRANCE SYRAH-GRENACHE 2012

**\$15.99** 48576

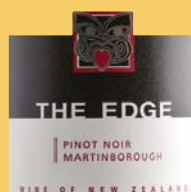
**CASE OF 6 \$14.99 A BOTTLE**  
*Five generations of French finesse*



## WILD ROCK GRAVEL PIT RED HAWKES BAY MERLOT MALBEC 2012

**\$16.99** 11334

**CASE OF 12 \$15.99 A BOTTLE**  
*Made by the Craggy Range team*



## THE EDGE MARTINBOROUGH PINOT NOIR 2013

**\$21.99** 12543

**CASE OF 6 \$19.99 A BOTTLE**  
*Escarpment's drink-now label*

# CHÂTEAU LOS BOLDOS



LOS BOLDOS

At Château Los Boldos, French Old World winemaking techniques collide with Chile's vibrant New World terroir in this property located 100 kilometres south of Santiago at the foot of the Andes. In 1990 the Massenez family from Alsace purchased the property – one of Chile's oldest wineries – and its highly valuable parcels of 66-year-old Cabernet Sauvignon and 55-year-old Merlot vines.

Los Boldos' 200+ hectares are subject to the beneficent alluvial influence of the nearby Cachapoal River. In the vineyard it's all about sustainable practices, with the strong environmental focus providing French winemaker Stephane Geneste with superb parcels of fruit from which to fashion the estate's premium wines.

In 2012 the winery was completely modernised via a serious program of reform and reinvestment that involved the installation of 5,000 and 20,000-litre, temperature-controlled stainless tanks, a maturation cellar packed with French and American oak and a high-tech bottling line.

## LOS BOLDOS CUVÉE TRADITION CHILEAN CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2012

**\$12.99** 77400

### CASE OF 12 \$11.99 A BOTTLE

Hand harvested Cabernet fruit fermented in stainless steel tanks and matured for six months in French and American oak barrels, followed by a further six months in bottle. Flexing its New World muscle, it is boldly styled and concentrated, the plum, berry and spice characters supported by some judiciously supple tannins.



## LOS BOLDOS CUVÉE TRADITION CHILEAN CARMÉNÈRE 2012

**\$12.99** 77402

### CASE OF 12 \$11.99 A BOTTLE

An obscure Bordeaux variety, Carménère thrives in Chile's phylloxera-free landscape. Rich, spicy black fruit aromas are embellished with touches of chocolate and cinnamon, while on the medium-weighted palate, the ripe fruit flavours recline on a bed of oak and ripe tannins. Superbly priced.



## LOS BOLDOS GRAND RESERVE CHILEAN MERLOT 2012

**\$16.99** 77404

### CASE OF 12 \$15.99 A BOTTLE

The selected Merlot bunches are sourced exclusively from Los Boldos' Alto Cachapoal estate. A bouquet of lush, spicy plum and blackberry notes accompanies the persistent ripe fruit flavours. Hints of mocha, finely integrated oak and supple tannins. At this price, you should be thinking 'case.'



## LOS BOLDOS GRAND RESERVE CHILEAN CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2012

**\$16.99** 77403

### CASE OF 12 \$15.99 A BOTTLE

Crafted from 80% premium Cabernet fruit with the balance similarly blessed Merlot, all harvested off the aforementioned old vines and matured for twelve months in French barriques before being bottled unfiltered. Pervasive aromas and flavours of berry and cassis are embellished by notes of leather, clove and cedar, all wrapped in a coat of mellow tannins. Could, again, be time for a case.





# SPARKLING

## Champagne DRAPPIER UNDERSTATED EXCELLENCE

Sitting down with the affable Michel Drappier outside Dida's Wine Lounge on Jervois Road, two things become immediately obvious: 1) The man is articulate and thoroughly charming, and 2) the vintage Drappier that we're drinking is an absolute killer. Lurking south of the holy borders of Epernay in Urville, the Drappier house can sometimes be overlooked, and underserved so. Exponents of organic and traditional practices, they aspire to a position of natural authenticity rather than overstated sophistication, employing minimal amounts of sulphur and a low dosage approach that provides a dry and aromatic elegance to their expressions. No shortage of history either, with Drappier's vaulted cellars tracing back to 1152. The pride of the house, the limestone rich vineyards themselves, were initially established by the Romans 2,000 years ago.



MICHEL DRAPPIER WITH DAUGHTER CHARLINE

### DRAPPIER QUATTUOR BLANC DE QUATRE BLANCS NV

**\$89.99** 43505

**CASE OF 12 \$88.00 A BOTTLE**

Exemplifying Drappier's passion for championing 'forgotten but unforgettable' varieties, this combines the elegance of the Chardonnay grape in equal measure with the rarer varieties Arbane, Petit Meslier and Blanc Vrai. Floral tinged, honeyed notes of almond, orange and apple entice the nose, while the palate surges gently forward on fresh fruit flavours underpinned by a restrained mineral edge and a graceful, lingering finish. Low sulphur content, non-filtered, beautifully executed.



### DE BORTOLI FAMILY SELECTION SPARKLING BRUT NV

**\$9.99** 20828

*Clean, crisp, great-value sparkler*



### PERELADA BRUT RESERVA CAVA NV

**\$14.99** 88051

**CASE OF 6 \$13.99 A BOTTLE**  
*Spain's captains of cava*



### ALLAN SCOTT CECILIA RESERVE BRUT NV

**\$19.99** 17397

*Quality Chardonnay-based methode*



### QUARTZ REEF MÉTHODE TRADITIONNELLE BRUT NV

**\$29.99** 17230

**CASE OF 6 \$28.99 A BOTTLE**  
*Benchmark Central Otago methode*



### AKARUA BRUT NV

**\$29.99** 10118

*Top Central Otago producer*



### CHAMPAGNE MOUTARD GRANDE CUVÉE BRUT NV

**\$29.99** 41508

**CASE OF 6 \$28.99 A BOTTLE**  
*Exotic, intensely aromatic champagne*



### CHAMPAGNE POL ROGER BRUT RÉSERVE NV

**\$69.99** 48210

**CASE OF 6 \$68.99 A BOTTLE**  
*Favoured house of the English royals*

- 43500 DRAPPIER CARTE BLANCHE BRUT NV
- 43501 DRAPPIER CARTE D'OR BRUT NV
- 43571 DRAPPIER MILLÉSIME EXCEPTION 2005

- \$43.99**
- \$43.99**
- \$69.99**



# QUARTET

## Nga Waka

Like all good stories, the Nga Waka narrative begins with inspiration, followed by hard work and, finally, reward. The inspiration came in Paris during Gordon Parkinson's diplomatic posting. There, his teenage son Roger became fascinated with wine, a passion that has fashioned the course of his life.

The hard work began in 1986 when the Parkinsons purchased a bare block of land in Martinborough and established their home vineyard. Roger, by now a Roseworthy graduate with experience in Australian, Alsatian and Bordeaux vineyards, returned home in 1992 to produce the winery's first vintage. Roger: 'We adhere to the French concept of *terroir* where wine expresses its particular site and reflects a sense of place.'

And the reward? Well, that's all ours, really, thanks to the lovingly crafted and beautifully realised Nga Waka and Three Paddles selections.



NGA WAKA

### NGA WAKA HOME BLOCK MARTINBOROUGH CHARDONNAY 2013

**\$24.99** 17582

**CASE OF 6 \$23.99 A BOTTLE**

*Nga Waka's flagship Chardonnay*

A single vineyard wine produced off mature vines originally planted back in 1988. Lush melon and grapefruit aromas dance on toasty oak nuances, while the elegantly styled palate has plump and juicy fruit characters enhanced by creamy textures and an edgy mineral finish. A thoroughbred.



### NGA WAKA MARTINBOROUGH CHARDONNAY 2013

**\$19.99** 17580

**CASE OF 12 \$18.99 A BOTTLE**

Blended from Nga Waka's three vineyards, with a rich and complex bouquet of peach and nectarine bolstered by subtle oak and malolactic characters from the barrel fermentation. A beautifully poised palate, the well-defined fruit enhanced by buttery, mealy nuances and a long, flavoursome finish.

### NGA WAKA MARTINBOROUGH RIESLING 2011

**\$16.99** 17581

**CASE OF 12 \$15.99 A BOTTLE**

Producing a globally-rating Riesling has been on Roger Parkinson's bucket list since he first began making wine at Nga Waka, and that he has the smarts to do just that is well illustrated by this cunningly crafted expression. Housed within a graceful structure, fragrant aromas and honeyed flavours ride atop an unashamedly dry lime and mineral engine. A few years of bottle aging would pay handsome dividends.



### NGA WAKA MARTINBOROUGH PINOT NOIR 2012

**\$29.99** 17583

**CASE OF 12 \$28.99 A BOTTLE**

*Superbly refined Martinborough gem*

Roger produces a Pinot Noir that is rich, elegant and brimming with the unique characteristics of its Martinborough terroir. Bottled unfiltered and unfiltered, the nose shows notes of cherry, spice and understated oak. The generously flavoured palate boasts excellent fruit, with hints of spice, mushroom and a flicker of oak, all wrapped in silk.

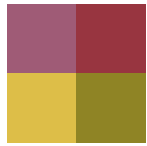


ROGER PARKINSON



15872	<b>NGA WAKA</b> MARTINBOROUGH SAUVIGNON BLANC 2012	<b>\$16.99</b>
16331	<b>THREE PADDLES</b> MARTINBOROUGH CHARDONNAY 2013	<b>\$16.99</b>
15871	<b>THREE PADDLES</b> MARTINBOROUGH PINOT NOIR 2011	<b>\$19.99</b>





# Jules Taylor

Long one of NZ's ascending stars, Jules Taylor is a true child of our most famous wine region, born in the same year that Marlborough's first vines were planted, and growing up there while the fledgling industry was taking its first steps. After completing a degree and post graduate course in winemaking, Jules worked a succession of vintages in Italy and Australia before settling back in Marlborough to produce wines for Kim Crawford, Saint Clair and Cape Campbell. During this time she honed her skills, making small quantities of her own wines and finally launching the first Jules Taylor release in 2001.

Jules hunts out her distinctive flavour profiles from rises, hollows and back corners of vineyards in the Wairau and Awatere Valleys, with this canny approach given a nod via her new OTQ wines. Jules: 'Sometimes you get special grapes which make very special wines, and sometimes you don't tell anybody and make the wines on the quiet.' And, just quietly, we think they're something special too.

## JULES TAYLOR MARLBOROUGH SAUVIGNON BLANC 2013

◀ **\$19.99** 10601

**CASE OF 12 \$18.99 A BOTTLE**

★★★★★ *Cuisine*

The talented Jules Taylor propels this wee gem our way year after year, and it never fails to deliver. Intense aromas of passionfruit and citrus launch an elegantly balanced, mineral-edged palate delicately nuanced by herbaceous notes, a sublimely textural mouthfeel and a sighingly long finish.

10603 **JULES TAYLOR** GISBORNE ROSÉ 2013  
10611 **JULES TAYLOR** MARLBOROUGH PINOT NOIR 2012

**\$19.99**  
**\$24.99**



## JULES TAYLOR MARLBOROUGH PINOT GRIS 2013

◀ **\$19.99** 10602

**CASE OF 12 \$18.99 A BOTTLE**

*Gold Medal* SYDNEY INTERNATIONAL WINE SHOW

Lusciously layered, thickly textured, this is a big style wine, and we are all the better for it. On the nose, aromatic pear notes are stroked with spice, while the palate is intense but elegant, with a swelling crescendo of ripe fruit flavours held in check by the fresh, lingering finish.

## JULES TAYLOR MARLBOROUGH GRÜNER VELTLINER 2013

**\$19.99** 10609 ▶

**CASE OF 12 \$18.99 A BOTTLE**  
*Gold Medal* SYDNEY INTERNATIONAL WINE SHOW

A significant Austrian white variety, this finely crafted expression from the inimitable Jules has a deliciously perfumed bouquet, the spicy stone-fruit aromas continuing through onto the off-dry palate. Pretty terrific on debut, this has become a favourite drop for many of our regulars.



## JULES TAYLOR OTQ BARREL FERMENATED SAUVIGNON BLANC 2012

◀ **\$24.99** 13440

**CASE OF 6 \$23.99 A BOTTLE**

*From JT's new Premium Range*

Against the backdrop of a solid vintage, some exceptional parcels of fruit from selected blocks make up this outstanding wine. With barrel aging and all the bells and whistles, Jules launches into Premium Range territory with a deft touch. Executed with a light hand to allow the fruit its full expression. Finesse? This is how it's done.



JULES TAYLOR





# QUARTET

## matawhero

Matawhero was established in Gisborne in 1968 by the late Bill Irwin, an innovative trailblazer who introduced new varieties into the national consciousness that substantially changed the viticultural and wine-making landscape in this country. In the mid-1970s, his son Dennis launched the Matawhero label, quickly gaining international success, with his 1977 Gewürztraminer gaining 4th place at the Paris Wine Show, a remarkable achievement for New Zealand's fledgling wine industry.

In 2008, recognising its proud history, Richard and Kirsten Searle purchased the then disused vineyard and winery and undertook a programme of replanting and replenishment. Their goal was to produce distinctive and individual expressions evoking Gisborne's unique vinous attributes. In the process the Searles have, in fact, more than revitalised this iconic wine brand, elevating it to a new standing.



MATAWHERO



### MATAWHERO GISBORNE GEWÜRZTRAMINER 2013

◀ **\$19.99** 10652

#### CASE OF 6 \$18.99 A BOTTLE

*Rich and fragrant white variety*

Produced from grapes grown in the Searle vineyard in Gisborne's Patutahi sub-region, this offers an exotically scented nose of rose petal, lychee, spice and ginger. The palate follows up with rich, spicy fruit flavours enhanced by a viscous mouthfeel and a flavoursome, slightly sweet finish.

10651 **MATAWHERO** GISBORNE PINOT GRIS 2013  
10094 **MATAWHERO** GISBORNE MERLOT 2013

**\$19.99**  
**\$19.99**



### MATAWHERO GISBORNE CHARDONNAY 2012

◀ **\$19.99** 10791

#### CASE OF 6 \$18.99 A BOTTLE

Gisborne Chardonnays tend towards rich stone-fruit characters and a round, luscious mouthfeel. One of the standout sites in Gisborne for many years now has been the Teitjen vineyard, tended to perfection by Paul and Jenny Tietjen. Using their famous fruit, the Matawhero proudly parades its opulent stonefruit, melon and butterscotch notes.

### MATAWHERO CHURCH HOUSE BARREL FERMENED GISBORNE CHARDONNAY 2012

**\$21.99** 10656 ▶

#### CASE OF 6 \$20.99 A BOTTLE

Using an exotic new clone recently imported from France, only the cream of what was a rather challenging Gisborne vintage found its way into this profoundly elegant drop. Fragrant peach and melon dominate proceedings, with just a hint of butterscotch and oak adding final complexity to the soft and creamy palate. Great drinking.



### MATAWHERO CHURCH HOUSE GISBORNE MALBEC 2013

◀ **\$21.99** 10660

#### CASE OF 6 \$20.99 A BOTTLE

The 2013 vintage produced an exceptional crop of Malbec, prompting Matawhero to come out with a version that is exclusively that variety. Something of a revelation, it is fruit-driven and forward, with assertive blackcurrant/plum characters echoing notes of herb, spice and chocolate, all bedded on a supple tannin structure.



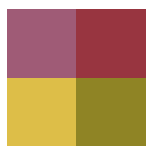
KIRSTEN AND RICHARD SEARLE







RIMU GROVE



# Rimu Grove

Rimu Grove is a boutique winery, or as founder Patrick Stowe prefers it: 'We are a micro-boutique winery dedicated to producing small parcels of high quality, handcrafted Nelson wines.' This Californian import grew up in the Napa Valley, where his great-great grandfather owned vineyards. Patrick graduated in 1984 with a degree in Biochemistry/Microbiology and pursued his passion for making wine alongside a group of fellow Napa Valley aficionados and award-winning winemakers.

While touring New Zealand in the early 1990s, Patrick and his wife Barbara fell in love with Nelson, and in 1995 they established the Rimu Grove winery on the Bronte Peninsula. The seven-hectare home vineyard planted in Chardonnay, Pinot Noir and Pinot Gris is meticulously maintained on a low-cropping regime, with all fruit carefully hand harvested. Patrick is a believer in a low-interference approach to winemaking that allows the time, the place and the fruit itself to shine through.

## RIMU GROVE NELSON PINOT NOIR 2009

◀ **\$34.99** 10427

**CASE OF 12 \$33.99 A BOTTLE**

*Excellent Nelson Pinot*

Patrick Stowe's obsession with excellence is well displayed in his elegant, top-tier Pinot Noir. A ripe and complex nose of spiced-up cherries over floral and earthy notes floats above a concentrated and superbly weighted palate. Velvet textures and well integrated acidity contribute to the quality. The finish is expansive, long and gently drying, with plenty of fine-grained tannins. Seductive.

10483 **RIMU GROVE BRONTE PINOT GRIS 2011** **\$19.99**  
13693 **RIMU GROVE NELSON CHARDONNAY 2013** **\$29.99**



## RIMU GROVE BRONTE NELSON PINOT NOIR 2010

◀ **\$24.99** 10452

**CASE OF 12 \$23.99 A BOTTLE**

Patrick's drink-now Pinot is fragrantly ripe and highly approachable. Matured for eleven months in French oak, the cherry and berry flavours are supported by subtle hints of earth and spice, the palate generously flavoured and enhanced by a suavely silky texture. Good drinking.

## RIMU GROVE NELSON PINOT GRIS 2011

**\$24.99** 10482 ▶

**CASE OF 12 \$23.99 A BOTTLE**

This fastidiously crafted wine is a fine example of what the Nelson region can offer when the wine-maker is on the hunt for the ultimate expression of terroir. Riding the fine fruit, a fragrant nose of almond and pear is entwined with spicy floral notes, the nicely weighted palate boasting gentle textures and a tasty touch of mineral.



## RIMU GROVE NELSON RIESLING 2012

◀ **\$24.99** 10558

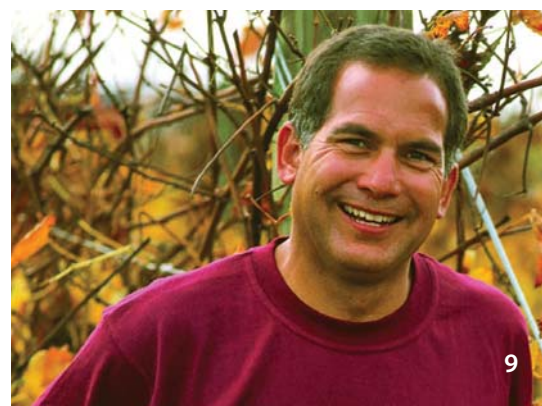
**CASE OF 12 \$23.99 A BOTTLE**

*Fresh, succulent, meticulously made*

Harvested from Moutere clay gravels and Waimea plains vineyards, with the wine cool fermented in stainless steel to preserve varietal integrity. Displaying a nose of citrus and honeysuckle, the full and luscious palate is characterised by its elegance and purity of fruit, signing off in a flurry of racy acidity and citrus nuances.



PATRICK STOWE





# CRAFT Beers



WE POP THE TOP ON NEW ZEALAND'S FLOURISHING CRAFT BEER INDUSTRY AS WE EXPLORE THE ARTISTS OF THE BEER WORLD



## ▶ GALBRAITH'S

Craft micro and pub breweries have become increasingly popular in the last five years, but they are by no means a new phenomenon. Back in 1995 Keith Galbraith helped to roll out the trend when he established Galbraith's Brewery in Auckland's old Grafton Public Library. Keith's aim was to produce Old World-styled beers, freshly brewed in New Zealand to avoid the spoilage caused by long sea voyages from Europe. Galbraith's imports hops, malts, and yeasts from the place of origin and the water is specially treated to mirror the European mineral profiles. The result is fresh and authentic.



**GALBRAITH'S**  
MUNICH STYLE LAGER 330ML

4-PACK **\$14.99** 91630

This is about as close as it gets to the original; made from German Moravian malts, Hallertau hops and Bavarian yeasts and given extended conditioning, this pale golden brew comes with a silky head and distinctive malt and hop aromas and flavours. Signs off with a classic refreshing and bitter aftertaste.

91631 GALBRAITH'S PALE ALE 330ML

4-PACK \$14.99

## ▶ BLACK DOG



In 2012, BlackDog Brewing Co. was established in Wellington by a trio of brewers committed to creating a portfolio of alternatives to supplement the ubiquitous range of beers available in NZ. Backing up the intrepid sense of independence is a strong intent to have fun along the way. Their philosophy? 'To make sure every beer that comes out of the brewery is packed full of delicious flavours you won't get from anywhere else.' Having rigorously tested their product around the local traps, these guys have decided it's time to take on the world.

**BLACKDOG**  
KIWI UNLEASHED APA 500ML

SINGLE **\$6.99** 91485

These Kiwis have indeed been cut loose to create an American Pale Ale with a twist. Produced from 100% New Zealand hops, at 6% it's a bighearted style, with a large hop presence but not too much of the bitterness factor. Its light coppery tone is smoothly offset by citrus nuances. Food match? Think big; grilled food, burgers, etc.

91499 BLACK DOG GOLDEN LAB LAGER 500ML

SINGLE \$6.99

91484 BLACK DOG CHOMP PALE ALE 500ML

SINGLE \$6.99

91481 BLACK DOG BITE PILSNER 500ML

SINGLE \$6.99



JUMP INTO EASTER

WITH  
**Rabbit Ranch**

It's become a bit of a tradition around here to pull out the Rabbits at Easter and, frankly, why wouldn't you? Smart Central Otago wines and even smarter prices. Hop to it.

**RABBIT RANCH**

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| 11169 SAUVIGNON BLANC 2013  | <b>\$16.99</b> |
| 19015 PINOT GRIS 2013   | <b>\$19.99</b> |
| 11167 PINOT NOIR 2012   | <b>\$24.99</b> |
| 19017 DOUBLE BARREL RABBIT PACK<br>PINOT NOIR + PINOT GRIS IN RED GIFTBOX | <b>\$44.00</b> |



INTRODUCING

**Gazela**

PORTUGUESE PANACHE

This crisp young thing is a light and engaging quaffing white from the northwest of Portugal. The varieties are four indigenous Portuguese grapes you won't have heard of (all right, Trainspotters, it's Loureiro assisted by Pedernã, Trajadura and Azal). There is a slight fizz to the citrus and mineral proceedings. To go with the shellfish, of course.

77300

GAZELA VINHO VERDE **\$11.99**

**Gekkeikan**  
SAKE SUPREMOS

Set up in 1637, Gekkeikan have been honing their sake skills for a very long time. Founding father Jiemon Okura established his sake brewery in Kyoto's famed Fushimi district, known throughout Japan for its excellent water quality. This is the world's top-selling sake. Its delicate taste and fragrance makes it an ideal choice for Japanese cuisine, fusion dishes and lighter-styled foods.

**GEKKEIKAN**

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| 90972 NIGORI SAKE           | 500ML <b>\$19.99</b> |
| 90992 SAKE                  | 720ML <b>\$24.99</b> |
| 90979 JUNMAI SKYE BLUE SAKE | 720ML <b>\$29.99</b> |
| 90980 DAIGINJO              | 720ML <b>\$36.99</b> |







# a taste of Australia

## TORBRECK



After Torbreck's superstar founder David Powell left his Barossa dream behind him and moved to greener pastures, the media reports did leave one wondering what the future looked like for this iconic Australian producer. Given all the speculation stirring, there was only one thing to do – hop over the ditch and find out for ourselves. We are delighted to report back that while Powell did indeed establish this magnificent Barossa property, the team he built around him is the real story: a skilled and experienced collective that remains in place and together make all the important decisions.

It tells you a lot about a winery when the first thing they do is take you to the vines, followed by the barrels, before producing the wine itself. There are changes on the horizon: the prices have been adjusted, most severely *The Pict* (which we've secured 30 bottles of), once going quite comfortably for 3 digits and currently a steal at \$99. We are also starting to see the Torbreck style evolve, with a degree of restraint and a general toning-down coming into play: think Rhône Valley meets old-vine Barossa.

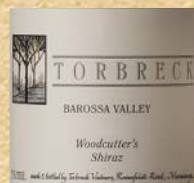
### TORBRECK BAROSSA VALLEY THE STRUIE SHIRAZ 2010

◀ **\$59.99** 20073

**CASE OF 6 \$56.99 A BOTTLE**

93/100 ROBERT PARKER'S WINE ADVOCATE

A blend of Barossa and Eden Valley fruit, The Struie reflects the cooler side of the region and showcases the subtle nuances that are gained from hillside viticulture. The aromatics deliver surges of black fruit characters wound in earthy olive and chocolate notes. The spice-infused, meaty palate is ripe and replete with densely packed fruit framed by fine tannins. Will reward those who decide to cellar it.



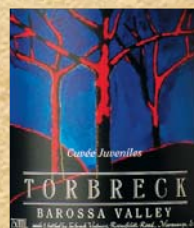
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### TORBRECK BAROSSA VALLEY WOODCUTTER'S SHIRAZ 2011

**\$29.99** 21091

**CASE OF 12 \$27.99 A BOTTLE**

Shining example of the new generation of Barossa Shiraz vineyards. Dense and opulent, it elegantly combines marvellous fruit purity with texture and complexity. A few years of cellar time would reap rewards. Great introduction to the Torbreck range.



### TORBRECK BAROSSA VALLEY CUVÉE JUVENILES GSM 2012

**\$29.99** 21026

**CASE OF 12 \$27.99 A BOTTLE**

Named after a Parisian winebar and a tip of the hat to the Rhône's Grenache-Syrah-Mourvèdre blends, the wine within is fragrant and concentrated, and sourced from 150-year-old vines. Notes of dark fruit, spice and earth dominate the lissom palate.



94+/100  
ROBERT PARKER'S  
WINE ADVOCATE

### TORBRECK BAROSSA VALLEY THE STEADING GSM 2009

**\$49.99** 21094

**CASE OF 6 \$46.99 A BOTTLE**

Composed of Grenache, Shiraz and Mataro fruit off very old bush vines, this evokes Burgundian sensibilities with its delicate aromas and elegant palate. Subtle notes of cherry, earth and cedar are wound in a taut spine of acidity and ripe, supple tannins.



94+/100  
ROBERT PARKER'S  
WINE ADVOCATE

### TORBRECK BAROSSA VALLEY THE PICT MATARO 2010

**\$99.00** 20074

**CASE OF 6 \$96.00 A BOTTLE**

The wild, earthy aromas pay homage to France's Bandol region; the expansive palate is rich and dense, with a rustic core of earth, tar and olives framed by mineral-influenced tannins. This has the constitution to evolve beautifully for years.



99/100  
ROBERT PARKER'S  
WINE ADVOCATE

### TORBRECK BAROSSA VALLEY RUNRIG SHIRAZ 2009

**\$299.00** 21097

**CASE OF 6 \$280.00 A BOTTLE**

Stunning vintage, and arguably one of the best RunRigs yet, the slow ripening period delivering outstanding aromatics and a surgingly rich and powerful, multi-faceted palate. Given its relentless evolution, this will greatly reward the patient.





# A TASTE OF France



# A TASTE OF Italy



**GEORGES DUBOEUF**  
BEAUJOLAIS-VILLAGES 2011

**\$16.99** 43943

**CASE OF 12 \$15.99 A BOTTLE**

A vivacious, fruit-driven red that combines strawberry, cherry and floral nuances on the nose and palate. Lovely balance, succulent mouthfeel; at its best when slightly chilled or at room temperature.

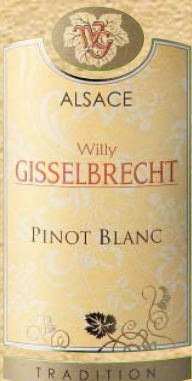


**JABOULET PARALLÈLE 45**  
CÔTES DU RHÔNE 2010

**\$16.99** 45420

**CASE OF 12 \$15.99 A BOTTLE**

This succulent Grenache, Syrah, Mourvèdre blend is a nice way to introduce yourself to Côtes du Rhône wines. Attractive aromatics and a spicy, fruit-forward palate add up to elegant affordability.



**GISELBRECHT TRADITION**  
ALSACE PINOT BLANC 2012

**\$19.99** 41221

**CASE OF 12 \$18.99 A BOTTLE**

Combines the crispness of Riesling and the texture of Chardonnay with the fruity approach of a Pinot Gris. Clean apple aromas lead into a great mouthfeel that's deliciously weighty, yet taut and tart.



**PASCAL JOLIVET ATTITUDE**  
LOIRE VALLEY SAUVIGNON BLANC 2012

**\$19.99** 40923

**CASE OF 12 \$18.99 A BOTTLE**

True to the Loire Valley's Sauvignon tendencies, this is fresh, light and easy to drink. It possesses a polished, supple texture, with gentle acidity and lingering, aromatic citrus-apple notes on the finish.



**DOMAINE BOURILLON-DORLÉANS**  
VOUVRAY SEC 2012

**\$24.99** 40977

**CASE OF 12 \$23.99 A BOTTLE**

Exclusively Chenin Blanc, this is a great alternative to Chardonnay, the honeyed palate weighty, with nuances of chalk and lime and a mouth-tingling texture all signed off with a stunningly long finish.



**PASQUA LE COLLEZIONI**  
MONTEPULCIANO D'ABRUZZO DOC 2012

**\$11.99** 62575

**CASE OF 6 \$10.99 A BOTTLE**

The grape variety is Montepulciano, grown in east-central Italy's Abruzzo region. Piercingly fresh fruit flavours lounge within a great structure; it's rich and juicy, plummy and suitably well priced.



**PASQUA V**  
VALPOLICELLA DOC 2012

**\$13.99** 62492

**CASE OF 6 \$12.99 A BOTTLE**

A great value, versatile red with fragrant cherry and plum aromas that are echoed on the smoothly textured, medium-bodied, vibrantly fruity palate. Perfect with pasta.



**ILLUMINATI RIPAROSSO**  
MONTEPULCIANO D'ABRUZZO DOC 2011

**\$14.99** 62800

**CASE OF 6 \$13.99 A BOTTLE**

Top vineyard sites yield expressive, savoury fruit with a little spice thrown in for good measure, the wine perfectly poised, with just the right amount of fruity, gentle tannins and lively acidity.



**PASQUA LAPACCIO**  
SALENTO IGT PRIMITIVO 2012

**\$15.99** 66160

**CASE OF 6 \$14.99 A BOTTLE**

This comes from the Pasqua family's original home in Salento. Using the full bodied, richly flavoured fruit of Italy's Primitivo grape, it is typical of their entire range – well crafted yet moderately priced.



**CECCHI RAFFIA BASKET**  
CHIANTI DOCG 2012

**\$16.99** 62408

**CASE OF 6 \$15.99 A BOTTLE**

Cheap and cheerful used to be the main claim to fame of the raffia version of Chianti, but no longer, especially with a serious producer like Cecchi. Light to medium bodied with a dry, savoury palate.





# A TASTE OF SPAIN

## BODEGAS LAN

### Arriving early April

Sitting astride a rising arc of quality and acclaim and twice included in Wine Spectator's Top 100 list, Bodegas LAN is located in the heart of Rioja Alta, on 72 hectares in a breathtaking meander of the River Ebro.

LAN specialize in red wines, with 90% of production coming from the Rioja region. The average vine age is 30 years, yielding subtle and concentrated reds – crianzas, reservas and gran reservas – with the potential to age gracefully for years. LAN's sophisticated ageing room includes automated stacking, racking and climate control systems and currently houses a total of 25,000 casks.



BODEGAS LAN



### LAN RIOJA DOC RESERVA 2007

◀ **\$24.99** 77201

**CASE OF 6 \$23.99 A BOTTLE**

Gallic flair finds itself at home in the heart of Rioja. As is common in the Rioja Alta sub-region, this is Tempranillo based, and from the impeccable 2007 vintage. It's a wine that will reward those with the patience to cellar it, or failing that, the smarts to purchase a Riedel decanter and give it plenty of air and time to breath.

- 77202 LAN CRIANZA 2010 \$21.99
- 77200 LAN GRAN RESERVA 2005 \$36.99

BODEGAS LAN



# A TASTE OF PORTUGAL

## SANDEMAN

### Port's pioneering immigrants

This pioneering family-owned Port House has its origins in Scotsman George Sandeman, who in 1790 began trading in Port and Sherry in London. By 1795, he had established an agency in Cadiz, Spain, and in 1811 he purchased his own cellar in Portugal. Wanting to give their customers a guarantee of quality, Sandeman was the first Port House to brand their casks, and the first to export bottled and labelled wines.

Seven generations later, another George Sandeman helms the family business. He is known to enjoy the Founders Reserve with some artisan cheese or dark chocolate, but is also partial to a port chilled or over ice.



### SANDEMAN FOUNDERS RESERVE PORTO

◀ **\$34.99** 77001

**CASE OF 6 \$33.99 A BOTTLE**

Named for the original George Sandeman and with 200 years of hard-won expertise behind it, this is one of Sandeman's better ports. Only the finest fruit from each vintage is selected and aged for five years, resulting in a wine that is both elegant and powerful, the intense, clean flavours evoking rich fruit characters. All the fire of an expertly fashioned young port balanced with the finesse of age.

- 77000 SANDEMAN PORTO TAWNY \$29.99
- 77003 SANDEMAN PORTO LATE BOTTLED VINTAGE 2009 \$39.99
- 77004 SANDEMAN PORTO 10 YEARS OLD TAWNY \$49.99



SANDEMAN



# The GLENGARRY TOP 10

EACH MONTH, FROM THE HUNDREDS OF WINES SUBMITTED TO US, THE GLENGARRY TASTING PANEL SELECTS OUR TOP TEN WINES

**1** Te Pa MARLBOROUGH  
Sauvignon Blanc 2013

**\$17.99** 13087

**CASE OF 6 \$16.99 A BOTTLE**

Te Pa have taken full advantage of the fabulous 2013 vintage to turn out a superb wine gushing with zesty passionfruit aromas and lush fruit flavours, artfully balanced by a lingering mineral edge.



**2** Man O' War WAIHEKE ISLAND  
Chardonnay 2011

**\$24.99** 12482

**CASE OF 6 \$23.99 A BOTTLE**

Softly textured, fruit forward Waiheke Chardonnay from one of the Island's top producers. Citrus and stonefruit notes bathe in subtle hues left by the oak. Great fruit, good structure and a clean, fresh finish.

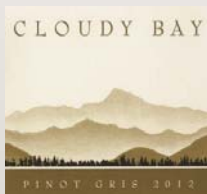


**3** Cloudy Bay MARLBOROUGH  
Pinot Gris 2012

**\$29.99** 12131

**CASE OF 6 \$28.99 A BOTTLE**

Soft floral and ripe stonefruit aromatics are given a further lift with a nudge of pear and spice. The palate enfolds its flavoursome fruit notes in silky textures, nicely offset by some fresh acidity and a long finish.

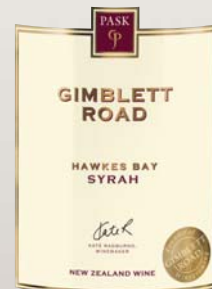


**4** Pask HAWKES BAY  
GIMBLETT ROAD Syrah 2011

**\$19.99** 10835

**CASE OF 12 \$18.99 A BOTTLE**

Kate Radburn works her magic on a variety right at home in the heated Gimblett Gravels environs. Soft, juicy flavours combine beautifully with white pepper and spice on a fragrant palate.

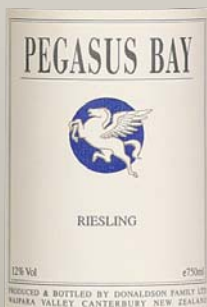


**5** Pegasus Bay WAIKARA VALLEY  
Riesling 2010

**\$24.99** 16825

**CASE OF 12 \$23.99 A BOTTLE**

This elegant Waipara offering is evolving nicely as it transports its rich aromatic notes of pipfruit, peach and lime through onto the palate. A steely, refreshing mineral edge plays foil to the pure fruit flavours.

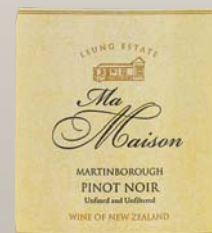


**6** Ma Maison MARTINBOROUGH  
Pinot Noir 2011

**\$34.99** 16013

**CASE OF 12 \$33.99 A BOTTLE**

These single vineyard Pinot enthusiasts produce an elegant and balanced drop via gentle, handcrafted viticulture and minimal intervention. Notes of cherry and plum shimmer with spice and earthy notes.



**7** Esk Valley HAWKES BAY  
Merlot Cabernet Malbec 2012

**\$16.99** 12813

**CASE OF 6 \$15.99 A BOTTLE**

Fabulously-priced offering from Hawkes Bay's famed Gimblett Gravels and the seasoned vets and vats at Esk. Ripe, generously flavoured, supple, succulent, it's champion drinking right now.



**8** Brookfields HAWKES BAY  
OHITI ESTATE Sauvignon Blanc 2013

**\$17.99** 11409

**CASE OF 12 \$16.99 A BOTTLE**

Ohiti vineyard fruit, partially oak fermented and lees stirred. The bouquet and palate are packed with ripe tropical fruit characters enriched by honey tones and kicked into orbit by the fresh, vibrant finish.



**9** Jackson Estate MARLBOROUGH  
SHELTER BELT Chardonnay 2012

**\$20.99** 11523

**CASE OF 12 \$19.99 A BOTTLE**

Single vineyard and barrel fermented. An aromatic nose beguiles with lime, honeysuckle, walnut while a string of biscuity nuances accompany the fresh fruit flavours, all climaxing in a sustained, creamy finish.



**10** Kilikanoon SOUTH AUSTRALIA  
THE LACKEY Shiraz 2011

**\$16.99** 22350

**CASE OF 12 \$15.99 A BOTTLE**

Consistency personified, Kevin Mitchell's Lackey is a silky-textured, super-value sizzler loaded with ripe, spice-edged plums and cherries dressed in supple tannins. Totally dependable.





# The Magic of Central Otago

From the bold structure & power of Bendigo's climatic extremes to the vivid delicacies of Wanaka's cool caress, the seductive silkiness of Cromwell's terraces to the complex individuality of Bannockburn's dry warmth, Central Otago is a series of intriguing sub-regions, each realising its own realm of unique possibilities against an exquisite backdrop. Below are some notable contenders.



19341	<b>DEVIL'S STAIRCASE</b> CENTRAL OTAGO PINOT NOIR 2013	\$21.99
18770	<b>RUA</b> CENTRAL OTAGO PINOT NOIR 2013	\$22.99
12950	<b>GIBBSTON VALLEY</b> GOLD RIVER CENTRAL OTAGO PINOT NOIR 2013	\$26.99
11112	<b>TERRA SANCTA</b> CENTRAL OTAGO PINOT NOIR 2012	\$32.99
11874	<b>SOHO</b> McQUEEN CENTRAL OTAGO PINOT NOIR 2012	\$36.99
16023	<b>WILD EARTH</b> CENTRAL OTAGO PINOT NOIR 2010	\$36.99
15962	<b>ROCKBURN</b> CENTRAL OTAGO PINOT NOIR 2011	\$37.99
19779	<b>WOOING TREE</b> CENTRAL OTAGO PINOT NOIR 2012	\$39.99
16002	<b>AKARUA</b> CENTRAL OTAGO PINOT NOIR 2012	\$39.99
15411	<b>AMISFIELD</b> CENTRAL OTAGO PINOT NOIR 2011	\$39.99