

2010 Gewürztraminer

Variety: Gewürztraminer 100%

Region: Martinborough, NZ

Style: Off Dry

Vintage: The 2010 vintage was a difficult, challenging

year. The weather through Spring and Summer was Quixotic. Autumn was good with a dry March and April then winter closed us out. Patience is a virtue when waiting for flavours to develop. The fruit was clean this year – free of

Botrytis cinerea.

Vineyard: One vineyard only.

Production: Hand picked fruit was delivered to the winery for

processing ASAP. On arrival the fruit was loaded to the press for whole bunch pressing. Pectinase enzyme added for clarification and to aid juice extraction. Juice ex press pumped to tank for

settling.

On clarification the juice was inoculated with a very select yeast culture for fermentation. Ferment temperature range 10° C to 15° C to ensure maximum retention of colour, aroma and flavour compounds. Rapid clarification once stopped retained the freshness and delicacy of

this off dry style.

Appearance: Beautiful light gold colour with a slight tinge of

green.

Aroma: Fragrant, pungent, varietal aroma. This will

develop more in bottle.

Palate: Just off dry with good weight and fruitfulness

and a hint of residual sweetness. Well balanced,

again with elegance and finesse. A long living

wine with a richer flavour potential in time.

Cellaring: Medium term, 7 to 10 years in a cooler cellar.

Serving: Best presented at 10°C to 12°C for overall

enjoyment.

Food Accompaniment: With lightly spiced food initially, lighter white

meat dishes, lighter fish, lighter cheeses. Will be

more versatile when aged.

Technical Points:

Harvest date: 24th April, 2nd May 2010

Bottled: 27th July 2010

Winemaker: Christopher Buring

Brix at Harvest: 25.5° Brix

Alcohol: 14.5% label ok. (14.5% actual)

Standard Drinks: approx 8.6 standard drinks

Contains Sulphites

Residual Sugar: 8.5 g/ltr

Titratable Acidity: 5.55 g/ltr

pH: 3.41

Packaging: 750ml bottles, Antique Green, Concave Riesling,

Cork finish, Diam cork P1 grade. 24.1x 44mm