

Petit Clos

PETIT CLOS SAUVIGNON BLANC 2014

ORGANICALLY GROWN IN THE WAIRAU VALLEY OF MARLBOROUGH

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*Winemakers: Damien Yvon
& The Bourgeois Family*

“WINES FROM THE 2014 VINTAGE SHOW GREAT PHYSIOLOGICAL RIPENESS OF TANNIN AND FLAVOUR WITH SLIGHTLY LOWER ALCOHOLS”

WHAT IS PETIT CLOS?

Petit Clos, translated from French to mean ‘small enclosed vineyard’, captures the vibrancy of our estate. Petit Clos wines come from our younger vines, from a mixture of soil types.

VITICULTURE

In the French tradition, our entire vineyard is high densely planted - this forces the vines to compete with one another, resulting in highly concentrated grapes and more mineral flavours in the wine. The younger Sauvignon vines are situated on our 3 different soils types.

WINEMAKING

The wine was fermented in stainless steel tanks to retain fruit purity and flavour; it was then aged on fine yeast lees for three months. Lees stirring over this time allows the wine to stabilise naturally, enabling us to fine the wine only once before a light, non-sterile filtration. This extended lees contact also helps the wine to gain roundness and texture.

TECHNICAL

Climate: Dry maritime with warm sunny days and cool nights
Annual sunshine: 2443 hours
Average annual rainfall: 647 mm
Latitude: 41.3° south
Altitude: 85 – 150 metres above sea level
Soil: Greywacke river stone, Broadbridge & Wither clays
Planting density: High at 4400 vines/ha
Yield: 9t/ha
Clones: MS, 242, 316, 317, 376, 530, & 905
Rootstock: RG, 101-14, 3309, & Schwarzmann
Vine age: 3–5 year old vines
Alcohol: 13.5%
Residual sugar: <1g/l
Total acidity: 6.1g/l
pH: 3.13
Ageing potential: 2-3 years from vintage
Wine match: Green-lipped mussels with garlic and parsley butter.

TASTING

Chalky and flinty mineral notes are followed by citrus, capsicum and pretty white flower aromas. This wine has good balance, a very nice acid presence and a smooth finish. It is tangy, round, soft, super fruity and easy to drink.

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Alcohol: 14%
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Total acidity: 6.9g/l
pH: 3.16
Ageing potential: 2-3 years from vintage
Wine match: Green-lipped mussels with garlic and parsley butter.

TASTING

The 2013 Petit Clos Sauvignon Blanc has a lifted and bright nose with light mineral tones and aromas of citrus fruits and ripe stone fruits. The palate is round and giving with vibrant acidity creating great backbone for the delicate fruit flavours.

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PETIT CLOS SAUVIGNON BLANC 2012 BY CLOS HENRI

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WINEMAKER'S COMMENT

"This quality wine is ready to drink at any moment: between friends, with a light fish and summer salads or just on its own. Perfect fruit balance, no sweetness, lovely roundness. It's a wine we took pleasure making, and that we want people to have fun with".

Damien Yvon, Winemaker

VITICULTURE

Estate grown, young vines of Clos Henri Vineyard

High Density Planting: 4400-6000 vines/Ha

Yield : 3 - 7t/Ha (54 Hl/Ha)

In the French tradition, our vineyard is planted in high density (around twice higher than the New Zealand average). With small yields, we get better fruit positioning and rigorous canopy management gives us good aeration. The young vines are situated on both clay soils and gravels at the crossroad of the old Waihopai and Wairau Rivers.

WINEMAKING

The wine is fermented in stainless steel tanks to retain fruit elegance and flavour; it was then aged on fine lees for five months. Lees stirring over this time allows the wine to stabilise naturally, enabling us to fine the wine only once before a light filtration. It also helps the wine to gain roundness and weight.

TASTING

The 2012 Petit Clos Sauvignon Blanc has a lifted and bright nose with light mineral tones and aromas of limes, tangerine and stone fruit. The palate is round and giving, vibrant acidity creates a great backbone for delicate fruit flavours and a textural finish.





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TASTING

The 2011 has a mouthwatering and juicy palate with citrus notes, red currant, honeysuckle and mandarin. Superbly fruit driven and fresh while still holding soft balance in acid and minerality. This wine has an ageing potential of 2-3 years.





PETIT CLOS SAUVIGNON BLANC 2010 BY CLOS HENRI

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WINEMAKER'S COMMENT

"The 2010 season was dry but not overly warm. We saw small crop levels and small berries, giving great concentration. The thin canopy let plenty of sunlight onto the grape bunches, while the dry conditions, combined with no irrigation, enhanced the mineral characters in the wines. This quality wine is ready to drink at any moment: between friends, with a light fish and summer salads or just on its own. Perfect fruit balance, no sweetness, lovely roundness. It's a wine we took pleasure making, and that we want people to have fun with".

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TASTING

On the nose the wine shows minerality, sherbet and white peach characters with underlying aromas of orange, lime and tropical fruit. The palate is fruit forward and juicy with minerals and citrus fruit and a refreshing, dry finish. Ageing potential: 2-3 years.



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PETIT CLOS SAUVIGNON BLANC 2009 BY CLOS HENRI

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WINEMAKER'S COMMENT

"The vintage 2009 is characterised by a typical Marlborough weather season and an ideal long and slow ripening period to build up great fruit aromas, good balance and complexity. This wine of quality is ready to drink at any moment: between friends, on a light fish, with summer salads or just on its own. Perfect fruit balance, no sweetness, lovely roundness. It's a wine we took pleasure making, and that we want people to have fun with."

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VITICULTURE

Estate grown, young vines of Clos Henri Vineyard

Planting Density : 4400 vines/Ha

Yield : 7.2t/Ha (54 HI/Ha)

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The young vines are situated on both clay soils and gravels from the old Waihopai River.

WINEMAKING

The wine is fermented in stainless steel tanks to retain fruit elegance and flavour; it is then aged on fine lees for four to six months. Lees stirring allows us to stabilise the wine naturally, enabling to fine the wine only once before a light filtration. It also helps the wine to gain in roundness and weight.

TASTING

The nose shows luscious ripe fruit and minerality, while the mouth still shows fruit without overdoing it and a pleasant freshness. It keeps a lovely dry finish while showing a great mouthfeel.

Ageing Potential: 3 years.



CLOS HENRI VINEYARD

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PETIT CLOS SAUVIGNON BLANC 2008 BY CLOS HENRI

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WINEMAKER'S COMMENT

"With this fantastic vintage, showing great ripe fruit, we continued this year to make the Petit Clos. The fruit is grown on our estate, coming therefore from our terroir, it is just ready to drink at any moment: between friends, on a light fish, with summer salads or just on its own. Perfect fruit balance, no sweetness, lovely roundness and that little surprised eye you'll see on your guests face when you'll reveal the price. It's a wine we took pleasure making, it's a wine we want people to have fun with."

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A wine made to enjoy – without being a fruit salad!

Ageing Potential: 2-3 years.

