

# ATA RANGI CRIMSON PINOT NOIR 2021





\$37.99

A second label from younger vines but made in the same manner as their flagship. One of the best value Pinots in New Zealand.

Product Code:	4565
Country:	New Zealand
Region:	Wairarapa Wine Country
Sub Region:	Martinborough
Style:	Red
Variety:	Pinot Noir
Producer:	Ata Rangi

Closure:	Screw Cap
Unit:	Each
Volume:	750ml
Alcohol:	13.5%
Grape:	100% Pinot Noir







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## TASTING NOTES

### Winery notes (2021 Vintage)

"20 years ago we named this special Pinot Noir "Crimson" in support of Project Crimson, the charitable trust working to replant and preserve native red-flowering pōhutukawa and rātā trees throughout New Zealand. Ata Rangi founder Clive Paton has planted more than 75,000 trees at the Ata Rangi family's Bush Block. We continue to support conservation efforts across our region. Crimson Pinot Noir celebrates our commitment to remain in service to the land and to the ecosystem that sustains us.

2021 was a very small yielding vintage resulting in wines with intensity and concentration. The small compact bunches gave a wonderful blend of bright fruit aromas and more dark seductive notes of dark cherry, thyme and mulberry. The palate opens to more savoury notes of soy, tahini and burnt orange, which gives a depth of flavour. Combined with fresh acidity that gives energy and fine tannins that drive a sustaining finish. Only small quantities made, our Crimson 2021 shows the structure and



drive of a small vintage in Martinborough.

Vineyard – Crimson is a selection of parcels from mainly younger Pinot Noir vines from our various vineyards on the Martinborough Terrace. The vines range in age from 5-25 years, giving a mix of youthful fruit expression and more complex savoury notes from older vines. Harvest – Fruit was hand-harvested with the majority desteemed and a small parcel whole bunch fermented. Indigenous yeast ferment took place in stainless steel tanks before the wine was racked off into French oak barrels for 12 months, then a final 6 months as a blend in tank prior to bottling in October 2022."

#### 94/100 Bob Campbell MW, The Real Review, February 2023 (2021 Vintage)

"Made from mainly younger pinot noir vines but with extra concentration from a low-yielding vintage. Classy wine with dark cherry, plum, violet and dried herb flavours. A delicious texture and surprising length. Good value at this price."

Reviews for the 2020 vintage below...

#### 93/100 Cameron Douglas MS, March 2022 (2020 Vintage)

"There's no mistaking the purity of fruit at the centre of the bouquet - red cherries and ripe sweet plum, some raspberry and baked strawberry suggestions. Oak layers in some complexity and spice and the varietal signature is enhanced by a fine layer of mineral silty soil scents. Taut and youthful on the palate with a core of red berry fruit flavours, plums and tart strawberry. Tannins and acidity accentuate the youthful mouthfeel adding foundation structure and power. While drinkable today I suggest you cellar this wine till late 2023 and try again. Excellent drinking from early 2024 through 2030+."

#### 5 Stars & 94/100 Sam Kim, Wine Orbit, April 2022 (2020 Vintage)

"This is immediately appealing on the nose with ripe cherry, olive, almond and floral aromas, followed by a beautifully rounded palate offering supple mouthfeel and ripe fruit intensity. It's elegantly spicy and savoury with excellent fruit purity, making it fabulously attractive. At its best: now to 2030."

#### 92/100 Jane Skilton MW, Wine Magazine, October 2022 (2020 Vintage)

"Made with the same attention to detail as the estate pinot but with silkier tannins and a more youthful, juicy red fruit character. Appealing, supple pinot that is already delicious."

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