

# VINO FINO

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## BILANCIA TIRATORE CHARDONNAY 2019



\$74.99

Product Code:	31587	Closure:	Screw Cap
Country:	New Zealand	Unit:	Each
Region:	Hawkes Bay	Volume:	750ml
Style:	White	Alcohol:	13.5%
Variety:	Chardonnay	Grape:	100% Chardonnay



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### TASTING NOTES

#### Winery notes (2019 Vintage)

"Tiratore Italian (to-ra-tó-re) hunter/marksman. When planting these vines, old, spent bullets were found in almost every hole dug on the slope of la collina; we imagine this area was used for many years as a firing range for target practice.

Single vineyard Chardonnay from vines originally planted in 2001 on the lower slopes, terraces and flat, old riverbed of la collina vineyard. The site is planted to a number of different clones of Chardonnay, predominantly B95 and UCD15 with a smaller contribution from 548, 809 and Mendoza. These clones and the rows are represented by the stylised artwork of the label.

The fruit is 100% hand-picked, whole bunch pressed to French oak puncheons and barriques for fermentation. Indigenous yeast carried the ferment to dryness. The wine spent 11 months in oak prior to bottling; there was no fining or cold stabilisation. There were no additives other than sulphur.

It has always been our plan to produce a flagship Chardonnay from the la collina vineyard, reflecting the variety and the vineyard site rather than the winemaking. With full fruit and complexity and just a touch of flint, the palate is tight with hints of salinity and wet stone. With time it will open up to rich, nutty, hazelnut and almond flavours. This wine is ready to drink on release and will continue to develop positively for 6 – 8 years."

#### 97/100 David Walker Bell, WineFolio.co.nz, March 2021 (2019 Vintage)

"A fine, bright pale green in the glass, with voluptuous aromas of peach, lemon blossom, roast cashew and buttered toast. Ripe stone fruit and tropicals on the palate – pineapple, honeydew and quince balanced with a zest of kumquat, crisp nashi pear and nectarine. Rich and intense, but with a drive of acidity that is pure linear energy. Complex with plenty of vanilla oak influence – strudel, nougat and baking spices. A deliciously silky mouthfeel – unctuous yet with a stony minerality underneath.

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A floral, spiciness develops in the mile-long, sweetening finish."

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**5 Stars & 96/100 Bob Campbell MW, The Real Review, December 2020** (2019 Vintage)

"Second release of a new label, which is significantly better than the inaugural release from 2018. Rich and quite complex chardonnay with grapefruit, citrus and tree fruit supported by gentle acidity. A silken-textured wine that promises to develop well."

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## CONTACT VINO FINO

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