

Craggy Range Aroha Pinot Noir 2024

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Product Code:	5438	Closure:	Screw Cap
Country:	New Zealand	Unit:	Each
Region:	Wairarapa Wine Country	Volume:	750ml
Sub Region:	Martinborough	Alcohol:	13.5%
Style:	Red	Grape:	100% Pinot Noir
Variety:	Pinot Noir		
Producer:	Craggy Range		



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TASTING NOTES

Winery notes (2024 Vintage)

"Our Prestige wines represent the pinnacle of our terroir and winemaking, meticulously crafted from select blocks of our single vineyard estates.The 2024 release marks our 25th harvest, and the first vintage guided by Chief Winemaker Ben Tombs.

‘Aroha’ meaning ‘love’ in te reo Māori. Reflective of its namesake, Aroha is handcrafted with passion from unique parcels of Pinot Noir. The pedigree of particular blocks in our Te Muna vineyard is paramount to the quality of this wine. At over 25 years of vine age, our best blocks are identified by a narrow band of clay over stone, which contributes to the balance between power and beauty. When crafting this wine, we look for the quality of tannin to be the ultimate driver, and with Aroha, the velvet line provides unmistakeable length."

5 Stars & 97/100 Stephen Wong MW, The Real Review (2024 Vintage)

"Deep ruby with a hint of purple. Concentrated yet defined aromas of black raspberry, cherry and violet with an undercoat of cinnamon oak. There is a strictness here which comes from youth. The palate is densely concentrated and firmly structured but already displays a cornucopia of fruit and spice. Very long with a melting mouthfeel and great intensity,this impressive, modern expression of pinot noir is going to go the distance, richly rewarding those with the willpower to wait. Grand vin."

97/100 Andrew Caillard MW (2024 Vintage)

"Medium deep crimson. Pure black cherry, raspberry, strawberry aromas with vanilla notes. Supple and silky textured with

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ample black cherry pastille, raspberry, strawberry fruits, loose knit lacy textures and well-balanced vanilla, marzipan notes. Finishes with a light tannin plume. Superb fragrance, fruit definition and oak integration, while showing lovely gentle vigour and impact."

97/100 Ken Garegett, WinePilot.com, August 2026 (2024 Vintage)

"A purple/blue hue, the nose offers a wonderful array of aromas, weaving through cherries, truffles, violets, wild raspberries, leaf litter and notes of freshly baked blackberry pie, just emerging from the oven. We are already seeing some early complexity and, no doubt, that will increase enormously over the coming years. The structure is seamless, the balance impeccable, and the concentration beautifully defined. A wine of focus and energy with great length through to satiny tannins on a lingering finish. Stunning stuff and for me the finest Aroha I can recall. A fifteen-year proposition."

Rated Outstanding & 95/100 Cameron Douglas MS, July 2026 (2024 Vintage)

"A delicious wine with a heart of fruit purity and a sense of regionality then site. An enticing bouquet of dark berries and wild flowers, purple berries then spices of earth and oak. Complex and intriguing. A dry wine touches the palate soaking it with flavours of dark cherries and boysenberry, layers of wood smoke and spices then a silty fragrant soil quality. Taut and youthful still, concentrated and flush with red fruit flavours. There's a light chalk-dust feel to the tannins and with a decent structure from the acidity and wood this wine has all the elements to age and develop. Well made, lengthy and in keeping with the Craggy prestige portfolio. Best from 2029 through 2036+."

95/100 Tom Kline, WinePilot.com, August 2026 (2024 Vintage)

"Grown on a narrow band of clay over stone in the Te Muna Vineyard, from vines now over 25 years old, this blends two clones picked five days apart — Clone 667, fermented with 85% whole clusters, and Clone 114 from Prestige Block 16, part-fermented in sandstone amphora. Both were hand-picked and wild-fermented, then aged for 14 months in French oak barriques. The perfume opens with lashings of dark berries, cherry conserve, plum, blackberry, boysenberry, stemmy spice, a touch of cacao nib and white chocolate. It's dark and brooding, but not at the expense of Pinot charm and fragrance. Some time in the glass reveals clove and forest floor, with the fruit unfurling to add vibrancy and fill out the palate. It's sapid and dense in the mouth, with a coating of flavours mirroring the nose, all wrapped in firm, chalk-dust tannins and fresh acidity. The finish holds bitter cacao-nib tones as it carries to a very long length. This shape shifts in the glass on account of its nervous youth, but once it settles, you're in for a ride. There's complexity now, but also the structure, oak influence and fruit power to age in the longer term."

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