

Westbrook

VINEYARD & WINERY

CRACKLING ROSÉ WAIMAUKU 2022

WINE FACTS

Vineyard: Westbrook Waimauku Estate

Harvest Info: Hand-picked 22 Feb - 10 Mar 2022

Brix at Harvest: 20.2-20.6

PH Bottled Wine: 3.34

Residual Sugar: 2g/l

Alcohol: 12.7%

Ageing Potential: Take the cap off! Or 2-3 years

WINEMAKING

Westbrook is a boutique winery which has successfully combined four generations of traditional wine-making methods and complemented those processes with the best of modern technology. This winning combination has resulted in an adventuresome wine style that showcases the incredible depth and diversity of New Zealand's grape-growing regions, winning Westbrook Winery hundreds of accolades as well as a host of gold medals, trophies and awards for its outstanding wines.

WINEMAKER'S NOTES

Hand picked Pinot Gris (52%), Malbec (43%) and Pinot Noir (5%), from our clay Waimauku soils, were picked to preserve the freshness and vitality of each of the varieties. Chilled fruit was crushed and pressed with minimal skin contact, before fining and cold settling. The clear juice was racked to both stainless steel tank and seasoned French oak barriques (9%) and inoculated for a coolish ferment with a selected yeast. When the sugar/acid/tannin balance was deemed appropriate the ferment was stopped and the components combined and allowed to rest on yeast lees. The wine was racked, stabilised and prepared for bottling. A light carbonation provides an excitation on the palate, whilst also lifting the beauty and structure of the fruit.

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Fined with Isinglass (no fining statement required)

Contains sulphites

TASTING NOTES

An evocative saunter along a perfumed night-lit garden path...flirting but not frivolous lifts of spring raspberry, heady lily and red guava. The flicker of effervescence sparks across a shimmering hood caught in a fanciful dance... peeking from behind a shoji screen...embellished with just the lightest of paua inlay...vibrant, taut and lithe.

