

Grapes  
91.5% Pinot Noir  
8.5% Syrah

Region/Appellation  
Marlborough

Alcohol by volume  
12.50%

Residual Sugar  
less than 1 g/l

pH  
3.58

Total Acidity  
5.6 g/l

Drinking Window  
2024 - 2026

Tasting Guide  
A B C D E  
Light Medium Full

Tasting note printed  
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# EarthGarden Pinot Noir 2022

## 6x75cl

### Winemaker Notes

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### Vineyard

Our key focus is to be environmentally responsible and to operate using sustainable practices in order to protect the land for future generations. Villa Maria has farmed Pinot Noir organically since 2010 gaining Biogro certification in 2012. This selection of vineyards are vibrant gardens alive with wildflowers and full of life.

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### Vintage

The start of the season was slightly below the long-term average in temperature, but the weather settled and we saw a mild and beautiful summer. A splash of rain and humid conditions closer to harvest put some pressure on the viticulture team, but fortunately the weather stayed stable and sunny throughout the picking season. With soil moisture replenished after a run of drier years, the vines were in good condition and nutritionally balanced, delivering very aromatic and expressive Sauvignon Blanc. Pinot Noir is bright and fruity, with ample red and berry fruits on the nose, and a soft and juicy tannin profile with translucent red hues. Pinot Gris and Chardonnay are aromatic, lush, very clean and bursting with flavour. Alcohol levels are a touch lower this season with full flavour development coming a little earlier.

### Food match

Grilled and Roasted Red Meats

This wine pairs well with lamb or slow-cooked beef cheeks. For a plant-based alternative, try with mushroom or truffle-accented dishes.

