



ASTROLABE

2023 KĒKERENGŪ COAST PINOT GRIS

VARIETY

Pinot gris

GRAPEGROWERS

Grown at Sleepers vineyard
by the Wilson family.

LOCALITY

Kēkerengū Coast (100%), Marlborough,
New Zealand.

SPECIFICATIONS

Alcohol	13.0%
Residual sugar	1.9 g/l
Total acidity	6.3 g/l
pH	3.36

VITICULTURE

Climate: After a wet winter, spring was drier and warmer than normal, but regular rain events kept vines growing and in good health. Budburst was very good, and bunch numbers per vine were ahead of the long-term average. Through late spring and summer wet and humid conditions prevailed, and the outlook was for a difficult harvest period with high fungal disease potential. Late summer and autumn were very good, with sunny and dry weather that helped the harvest come through in very good condition and about a week later than recent seasons.

Soils: A slightly elevated river terrace of deep silt loam interspersed with fragmented limestone.

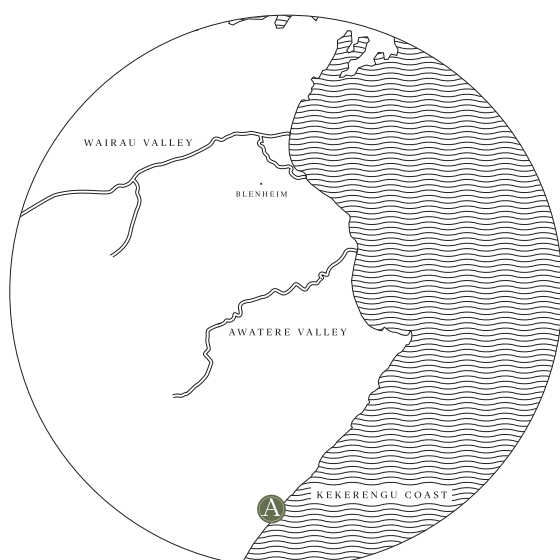
Vine Management: Standard trellis, with pruning to two to four canes, and vertical shoot positioning. Vines are trimmed closely, well tucked and lightly leaf plucked.

Harvest Date: The 8th of April, 2023.

WINEMAKING

The fruit was hand harvested and whole-cluster pressed to minimize phenolic extraction. Only free-run juice was used and fermented with full grape solids at low temperature to retain the subtle flavours and to impart a rounder texture.

Bottled 20th July, 2023.



Simon Waghorn - Winemaker
Waghorn Family Wines