



# SINGLE ESTATE SAUVIGNON BLANC 2014

## INTRODUCTION

Ara defines our philosophy. It is Māori for pathway and captures our journey and connection with our Marlborough home.

Sitting on the edge of the world Marlborough's extreme climate can present challenges. However, our winemaking and viticulture teams embrace challenge – and use it to create intensely flavoured wines that illustrate our 'Ara' or path on the edge of the world. Ara defines the journey we're on creating flavour-filled Marlborough wines.

Sourced from across our Estate in Marlborough's Wairau Valley, Ara Single Estate are intensely flavoured wines that amplify the remarkable valley story. These consistent, flavoursome wines tell the tale of our making Ara wines on the edge of the world.

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## HARVEST & WINEMAKING

The backbone of Marlborough Sauvignon Blanc is composed of lifted aromatics of grapefruit, with restrained mineral and stonefruit characters typical of close planted, low yielding vines at Ara.

The aromatics are accentuated by fruit from some of Ara's more vigorous, leafy vineyard parcels that show the classical Marlborough pungency. The grape harvest was early in the first two weeks of March over a long slow ripening season which assisted the intense concentration of flavours.

Early and later picks of the blend components also contributed to the contrast of herbaceous ripeness. The different parcels were fermented separately with long slow cool ferments. The wine was aged on yeast lees prior to racking, blending and fining.

## TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

Alcohol content (%v/v)	13.0
Titrateable acidity (as Tartic Acid) (g/L)	6.8
pH	3.1
Total sugars (g/L)	3.08

## TASTING NOTE

A classical expression of Marlborough but with the added complexity and texture that you can expect from Ara. This Sauvignon Blanc delivers lush grapefruit and gooseberry flavours, beautifully offset by a refined dry finish.



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