

# Matawhero



## Tasting Notes

## 2009 Gisborne Gewürztraminer

### Vineyard Review

The grapes for this wine were predominately from Peter Briant's vineyard situated in Patutahi across the Waipaoa River from Matawhero. This sub-region is responsible for growing some of the greatest Gewürztraminer in Gisborne. Rich silt deposits over a clay base provide ideal growing conditions for Gewurztraminer. Clones 456 and 457 were used and these were minimally cropped to ensure full ripeness.

Harvest Analysis: Brix 23.5      Titratable Acidity 7.5g/l      pH 3.30

### Winemaking

The two clones were harvested separately. Both were machine harvested and pressed immediately at the winery. After settling for 36 hours the juice was racked, warmed and inoculated with aromatic yeast strains. Cool fermented, the fermentation was arrested when the wine deemed to be in balance. The wine was then stabilised, filtered and bottled.

Wine Analysis:      Alcohol 13.4%      Titratable Acidity 6.9g/l      pH 3.40      Residual sugar 3.3 g/L

### Wine Notes

Colour      Pale straw with hints of green.

Aroma      Aromatic, typical lychee, star anise, Turkish Delight nose. Quite exotic.

Palate      Clean fruit driven style, rich and full with lychee, Turkish Delight and sherberty notes. Broad wine that persists well.

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