



## Te Whare Ra Wines New Releases November 2013

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Te Whare Ra Vineyard, Renwick, Marlborough



Owners/Winemakers: Jason & Anna Flowerday

As usual, another outstanding collection of wines. Anna and Jason Flowerday continue to refine their craft to make their elegant wines even more delicate; fragrant wines even more perfumed; and concentrated wines even more focused. Their 11 hectare estate vineyard is managed using organic and biodynamic practices; grapes are hand picked and processed at the home winery which is not a show pony but a sensible, practical place for making small parcels of distinctive wines.



### Te Whare Ra Riesling 'D' 2013

NZ\$28.00

Marlborough

94

5 Stars

"D" stands for dry, but it is also "D" for delightful and "D" for dangerously easy drinking. The youthful bouquet shows pure and delicate aromas of lime/lemon zest, white peach, apple and floral, leading to a finely textured palate that's racy and lingering with bright acidity.

At its best: now to 2025. Nov 2013.

### Te Whare Ra Riesling 'M' 2013

NZ\$28.00

Marlborough

95

5 Stars

"M" for medium, yet it's brilliantly refreshing and vibrant, displaying white peach, mandarin, ripe citrus and floral characters on the nose, followed by a succulent palate that shows wonderful poise and harmony. The elegant sweetness is perfectly balanced by the acidity, making the wine seamless and crisp to the finish. At its best: now to 2023. Nov 2013.



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**Te Whare Ra Toru 2012**

Marlborough

**91****4.5 Stars**

NZ\$26.00

This is seriously good drinking. Three classic varieties - gewürztraminer, riesling and pinot gris - are beautifully woven, allowing each to shine yet not obvious of any single variety. It's fragrant on the nose with stone fruit, lime, floral and spice aromas, beautifully supported by richly flavoured palate. Very long and satisfying. At its best: now to 2020. Nov 2013.

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**Te Whare Ra Pinot Gris 2013**

Marlborough

**93****5 Stars**

NZ\$28.00

Pinot gris can be sensuous and sumptuous, like this beauty. The elegantly perfumed bouquet shows peach, pear, floral and a touch of spice, which lead to a concentrated and finely textured palate that's focused and flowing. It's precise and graceful at the same time. A portion (30%) of the juice was fermented in mature barrels for added complexity. At its best: now to 2020. \$28.00. Nov 2013.



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**Te Whare Ra Chardonnay 2012**

Marlborough

**91****4.5 Stars**

NZ\$32.00

This is complex and generously flavoured while remaining elegant and stylish. Barrel fermented (in 600-litre barrels rather than the usual 225-litre barriques) characters of roasted nut and oatmeal are subtle and beautifully infused with ripe peach and citrus notes, backed by silky texture and fine acidity. A lovely elegant rendition. At its best: now to 2020. \$32.00. Nov 2013.

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**Te Whare Ra Sauvignon Blanc 2012**

Marlborough

**91****4.5 Stars**

NZ\$26.00

Pristine and delightful, the fragrant bouquet shows lifted aromas of stone fruit, feijoa and dill, leading to a concentrated and textured palate that's refreshing and lingering. A beautifully expressed sauvignon offering plenty of appealing flavours. 6% of the juice was fermented in mature barrels, which added extra dimension and layer without taking away the varietal purity. At its best: now to 2017. \$26.00. Nov 2013.



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**Te Whare Ra  
Gewürztraminer 2012**

Marlborough, 95 pts (5 stars)

NZ\$32.00

Irresistible as always, and classically perfumed as always, this is a delectable wine exhibiting peach, mango, floral and spice aromas together with a richly flavoured and textured palate. Elegant sweetness make it moreish and luscious. Opulent, velvety and awesome.

At its best: now to 2023.  
\$32.00. Nov 2013.



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**Te Whare Ra  
Pinot Noir 2012**

Marlborough, 93 pts (5 stars)

NZ\$45.00

A beautifully proportioned pinot, the attractive bouquet shows red/black cherry, floral and subtle spice aromas. It's equally appealing on the palate with excellent fruit weight and fine texture. The wine shows concentration and focus as well as poise and promise. At its best: now to 2020. \$45.00. Nov 2013.