

## LIMITED RELEASE SYRAH 2009

## **WINEMAKERS NOTES:**

Our Limited Release Syrah was made from a selection of our best Syrah grapes in the 2009 vintage. The grapes that make up this wine were grown in Mount Riley's premium 17 Valley Vineyard in the south of the Marlborough's Wairau Valley. This site is exposed to intense sunshine and the warm North Westerly winds pool in this small valley creating a veritable 'heat trap'.

The fruit was harvested at extremely low yields and was hand-picked and co-fermented with Viognier grapes. The fermentation was carried out in small parcels using indigenous yeasts then the wine was aged for 15 months in predominantly French oak barriques.

## **TASTING NOTES:**

Colour Inky purple hues.

Bouquet A perfumed and complex bouquet with dark fruits,

white pepper and floral aromas complemented by

earthy and spicy notes.

Palate Dark fruits and well structured but fine tannins are

supported by lovely concentration, fruit sweetness

and a long, lingering finish.

Drink This wine is drinking well now until 2015. Match

with red meat or pasta dishes.

## **OTHER INFORMATION**

Origin: Marlborough, NZ

Alcohol: 14.5%

Bottle Barcode: 9419663000172

Availability: Distributed to fine wine stores and premium on-premise outlets throughout NZ.

