

Established in 2001, Waipara Hills is an award winning wine range from the South Island of New Zealand. Recipient to over 500 medals Waipara Hills has developed a fine reputation for crafting rich aromatics, with vibrant, complex flavour.

The Waipara Hills Cellar Door is located in the picturesque Waipara Valley, a short scenic drive north of Christchurch.

Set amongst landscaped gardens, with spectacular views across The Home Block Vineyard to the Teviotdale Hills, our home captures the 'Soul of the South'.



GEWÜRZTRAMINER

VINEYARD REGION

Sourced from The Mound vineyard in the Waipara Valley with deep, free draining Glasnevin gravels.

VINTAGE CONDITIONS

2016 was a stable and warm season with dry conditions, without being too hot. This allowed the aromatic varieties to slowly develop their flavour, resulting in some spectacular wines.

VINIFICATION

After harvest the fruit was pressed and left on skins for three hours to extract greater aromatic and flavour intensity. The juice was then racked to a selection of tanks and barrels, warmed and inoculated with a range of yeasts. The wine was left on lees after fermentation for a further three months, to promote texture and character. Finally the wine was blended, then fined using traditional methods and finished for bottling.

WINE: 2016 Waipara Hills Waipara Valley Gewürztraminer

COLOUR: Pale gold.

NOSE: Lifted and perfumed with notes of rose water, spring flowers and orange peel.

PALATE: Rich mouth-filling flavours of rose water, Turkish delight and melon,

complemented with a clean, lingering finish.

SERVE: Slightly chilled and matched with spicy Asian dishes.

CELLARING: This wine will continue to build weight and complexity with age.

Peak drinking 2017—2019.

ANALYSIS: ALC: 13.5% | ACIDITY (TA): 4.28 | pH: 3.63 | RS: 7.5g/L

"An elegant Gewürztraminer with a lovely aromatic lift and bright flavours."

Andrew Brown, Waipara Hills Winemaker