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MEDIA RELEASE

Clearview Estate Pinot Gris one of NZ's best

Dish magazine has declared Clearview Estate Winery's 2013 Haumoana Pinot Gris as one of the country's best!

The national upmarket food magazine's tasting panel blind tasted 160 pinot gris produced in New Zealand and, from those, selected Clearview's entry as number four, awarding it four and half stars (out of five).

One of the judges, Nikolai St George was impressed with the wine's dry style, with its "lift of florals, lime, lychee and pawpaw", while another, Jane Boyle noted an "interesting nuttiness". Cameron Douglas, a Master Sommelier, said he found the wine "had a bit of funk".

Overall, the judges who also included Hawke's Bay's Yvonne Lorkin, James Rowan and Jane Skilton MW, said "there was no denying the appeal and drinkability of this charming, mildly spicy, mineral-edged wine."

Clearview Estate winemaker and co-owner Tim Turvey says the minerality was largely due to the location of the vineyard the grapes came from, on the gravel banks of the Tukituki River just out of Haumoana.

"We've used those vines since we started making this wine in 2011 and it's proving a flavour profile that gives our pinot gris a winning distinction," he says.

The grapes were hand-picked and gently whole bunch pressed. Not many wineries would spend the extra money to handpick, but Tim believes this adds finesse and structure to the inherent rich flavours of the grapes.

A full list of winners can be found in the October – November issue of *Dish* that came out on sale today (September 22).

Dish is a New Zealand food magazine full of inspiring and achievable recipes using fresh, seasonal produce. With beautiful photography and design, it also showcases artisan food producers, chefs, gourmet destinations and products.

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BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Established by Tim Turvey and Helma van den Berg in 1989, Clearview Estate continues as a family owned and operated business – handcrafted wines are grown, produced and bottled onsite. Renowned for award-winning Chardonnays and full bodied red wines, and the rustic and iconic ‘red shed’ restaurant that pioneered vineyard seaside dining in 1991 by combining a cellar door and lunch restaurant in a leafy vineyard setting.

Situated on the coastline of Hawke's Bay at Te Awanga, the Estate enjoys a unique microclimate, virtually frost-free with a warm, extended growing season and refreshing sea breezes. Clearview Estate focuses on quality; producing wines of great fruit intensity with a strong commitment to sustainability in all aspects of the business.