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AWARDS AND ACCOLADES / JANUARY 2025









Feathers appear when gold stars are near

5 Stars, 96 Points - Sam Kim: Wine Orbit, 2024

"Immensely complex and engaging, the wine shows ripe stone fruit, rockmelon, vanillin oak and brioche characters on the nose. The palate displays excellent concentration and refined mouthfeel, wonderfully complemented by plush texture and beautifully pitched acidity. Graceful and stylish, making it hugely appealing."

5 Stars, 95 Points - Raymond Chan Wine Reviews, 2024

"Bright, even, pale yellow. It has an opulent bouquet with aromas of stonefruit, citrus, nougat and delicate spice. Medium-full bodied, aromas of lemon curd, peach and nectarine entwined with nougat and cardamon. An enlivening acid line flows softly with white spice along a gently creamy thread. Nougat and spice elevate the bright fruit and linger to a graceful finish."

93 Points - James Suckling Top 100 New Zealand Wines, 2024

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PLUME 2022 CHARDONNAY This is as close as you will get to tasting a national treasure!

Our Falcon Sauvignon Blanc 2024 has been awarded 3rd place and Best Buy in the latest Top 10 Guisine NZ Sauvignon Blanc tasting.

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National Wine Awards Success



We're thrilled to share that two of our Chardonnays, the 2022 Falcon Chardonnay and the 2022 The Raptor Chardonnay, each received gold medals at the 2024 National Wine Awards, two of only eleven wines to achieve this rating in the Chardonnay category. Additionally, our 2022 Lake Chalice Plume Chardonnay earned a silver medal with an impressive score of 94 points.

We are proud to see our 2022 vintage Chardonnays recognised after spending some time in bottle. The growing season was long and dry, resulting in concentrated fruit bursting with delicious flavours. Now, after two years of aging, we're excited about how they have evolved and developed complexity.

The Falcon Chardonnay 2022 - Gold

Fresh and zesty citrus aromas with hints of white nectarine. The palate is fresh and lively with white stonefruit throughout. There is a chalky texture and crisp acidity on the finish. Fermented in warm controlled stainless-steel tanks then and matured for nine months to soften the tannins in this wine.

The Raptor Chardonnay 2022 – Gold

This Chardonnay has aromas of fresh nectarine a delicious warm spice. A complex palate with flavours of ripe citrus, cinnamon and hazelnut. This wine is elegant and complex with a long-layered finish. In the cellar, this Chardonnay underwent a wild fermentation before spending 9 months in seasoned French oak barriques.





Plume Chardonnay 2022 – Silver

Delicate aromas of perfumed spice, white stone fruit and roasted hazelnut. The palate is intense and opulent with savoury, ripe stone fruit, oyster shell and an underlying cinnamon spice that leads to a toasty finish. Our fruit for this wine was sourced from a single vineyard in the Lower Waihopai Valley. This vineyard is meticulously looked after by Peter and Anne Reed, who also provide the grapes for our Raptor Chardonnay.

From beneath the iconic Marlborough Hills rises an iconic Marlborough wine. Look out for our new release of Plume Sauvignon Blanc 2021, taking flight in November.

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2021 SAUVIGNON BLANC

Awards and Reviews

Lake Chalice Plume Chardonnay 2022



Lake Chalice Plume Sauvignon Blanc 2021



Lake Chalice The Raptor Chardonnay 2022



Lake Chalice The Raptor Sauvignon Blanc 2023









Flight of Gold at the National Wine Awards

Gold Medal - Lake Chalice The Falcon Chardonnay 2022 Gold Medal - Lake Chalice The Raptor Chardonnay 2022

Awards and Reviews

Lake Chalice The Falcon Rosé 2023



Lake Chalice The Nest Rosé 2023



Lake Chalice Sparkling Rosé NV



Lake Chalice The Falcon Sauvignon Blanc 2024





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Lighter Wines for
Every Occasion

Now available in refreshing low-alcohol Sauvignon Blanc and Pinot Gris

Success at the New Zealand International Wine Show



We're excited to share the following Lake Chalice results from the 2024 New Zealand International Wine Show (NZIWS), arguably the most prestigious wine competition in New Zealand. Celebrating its 20th anniversary this year, the NZIWS brings together a diverse panel of esteemed judges from around the world, including Masters of Wine and experienced winemakers, who evaluate thousands of entries from New Zealand and beyond. The 2024 competition was led by none other than Chief Judge, Bob Campbell.

This rigorous wine competition not only recognises excellence in winemaking but also promotes New Zealand's unique wine regions and varietals.

Our Award-Winning Wines

Gold Medal – 96 Points: Lake Chalice The Raptor Chardonnay 2022

The Raptor Chardonnay 2022 soared to new heights with a gold medal and 96 points. This Chardonnay was fermented for 9 months in a selection of new and seasoned French oak barriques from wild yeast, giving it a deliciously round and full palate.

Gold Medal – 95 Points: Lake Chalice Plume Pinot Noir 2019

Plume Pinot Noir 2019 also earned an impressive gold medal and 95 points. Taken from the stunning Eyrie block vineyard, situated on a river terrace in the southern valleys of Marlborough. The palate is rich and full bodied with concentrated flavours of dried fruits, red currant and dark chocolate.

Silver Medal – 93 Points: Lake Chalice Plume Chardonnay 2022

Our Plume Chardonnay 2022 shined with a silver medal and 93 points. With its intense palate and lush stone fruit flavours, Winemaker Chloe Gabrielsen describes creating this Chardonnay as a blank canvas. "We've selected only the very best barrels from within the batch. Each barrel adding a layer of complexity to the blend because we have so many components to choose from, adding different aspects of oak influence from the coopers, texture from oak or solids and flavour profile from the fermentations."

Silver Medal – 93 Points: Lake Chalice The Raptor Sauvignon Blanc 2023 The Raptor Sauvignon Blanc 2023 was another notable mention for the Raptor Range, being awarded a silver medal and 93 points. This wine bursts with zesty freshness and vibrant tropical fruit notes with hints of minerality on the finish. Silver Medal – 93 Points: Lake Chalice The Nest Rosé 2023

It is a pleasure to see the Nest range scoring highly in the 2024 competition. The Nest Rose has an elegant style with red fruit flavours leaping from the glass, a rich and rounded mid palate coincides with subtle hints of cream on the finish.

Silver Medal – 92 Points: Lake Chalice The Raptor Pinot Noir 2023

Another excellent accolade for the Raptor range. This young Pinot Noir has a perfumed palate showing olive leaf, fresh ripe blueberries. This wine has a rich mid palate structure showing milk chocolate like texture leads to a long-toasted finish. These awards from the 2024 New Zealand International Wine Show represent our team's dedication and connection to the land. We're incredibly grateful to the judges for recognising the heart and soul Chloe and the team pour into each bottle of Lake Chalice wine.







Soaring Scores for Lake Chalice

Lake Chalice Wines are celebrating an abundance of success after the 2024 New Zealand wine show season.

Lake Chalice The Falcon Chardonnay 2022

Gold Medal - The National Wine Awards of Aotearoa, 2024 5 Stars - Raymond Chan Wine Reviews, 2024

Lake Chalice The Falcon Sauvignon Blanc 2024

Gold Medal - The Marlborough Wine Show, 2024 94 Points - Cameron Douglas ms, 2024

Lake Chalice The Raptor Chardonnay 2022

Gold Medal - New Zealand International Wine Show, 2024 Gold Medal - The National Wine Awards of Aotearoa, 2024 Gold Medal - The Marlborough Wine Show, 2024 Gold Medal - Aotearoa Regional Wine Competition, 2024 93 Points - Cameron Douglas ms, 2024

Lake Chalice Plume Pinot Noir 2019

Gold Medal - New Zealand International Wine Show, 2024 5 Stars - Raymond Chan Wine Reviews , 2024



Plume Pinot flies high with renowned Wine Writers

"Gorgeously complex and enticing, the bouquet shows dark cherry, sweet plum, dried herb, game and toasted almond notes. The palate displays excellent weight and finely flowing mouthfeel, wonderfully supported by refined texture and layers of polished tannins. It's multi-layered and brilliantly structured with a persistent, captivating finish. structured with a persistent, captivating finish."

-Sam Kim: Wine Orbit, 2024



Raptor Chardonnay Takes The Gold

It is with immense pride to announce that the 2022 Raptor Chardonnay has been awarded a gold medal in the 2024 Aotearoa Regional Wine Competition (ARWC).

This accolade is a brilliant testament to Chloe and the team's effort to produce high quality and delicious wines, each vintage.

Following an unusually wet and cold growing season, the fruit for our 2022 Raptor Chardonnay was harvested in late-March, with parcels specially selected from the Southern Valleys sub-region in Marlborough.

The Raptor range focuses on being superior example (just like the Karearea). Lake Chalice winemaker Chloe targets particular small parcels of unique fruit, sometimes from a single vineyard, that stand out as excellent examples of a particular variety displaying clear varietal expression. This 2022 Lake Chalice Raptor Chardonnay is no different, with complex flavours of ripe citrus, cinnamon and hazlenut.

Crafted with precision, this wine underwent wild fermentation and matured for nine months in seasoned French oak barriques. The result is an elegant in style, multilayered Chardonnay with a lingering finish, sourced from carefully selected blocks within our core Lake Chalice vineyards in Marlborough, where the fruit displayed exceptional flavor retention and potential.





Winemaker Chloe Gabrielsen grape tasting in the vines.







Rising from the Nest

Lake Chalice The Nest Rosé 2023 achieves excellent scores in 2024.

Gold Medal - New World Wine Awards, 2024 4.5 Stars - Sam Kim: Wine Orbit, 2024 93 points - New Zealand International Wine Show, 2024

> "It's delicately fragrant on the nose with strawberry, nectarine and floral nuances, leading to a finely expressed palate that's linear and lively." -Sam Kim: Wine Orbit, 2024









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