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MARLBOROUGH, NEW ZEALAND – THE CROSSINGS

Once again, Marlborough delivers with some good solid weather during ripening where warm sunny days are followed by cool nights. There was cooler temperatures at flowering during later December, resulting in some variability in yields across varieties. January and February saw favourable rains, resulting in healthy vibrant canopies and maintained irrigation acquirers. This was followed by a very warm autumn which ripened the fruit earlier than average.

Harvest commenced mid-March. Chardonnay crops were generally light with all other varieties average or above. The Sauvignon Blanc came from good, strong canopies, the grapes looked clean and displayed great concentration of flavours. Pinot Noir bunches nice small berries, hence good skin to juice ratio and great colour and flavour for the wine. This will be considered to be a great Pinot Noir year.

