

Riverside Restaurant

WINE & DRINKS
MENU



WILDERNESS LODGE

LAKE MOERAKI

WINE & DRINKS

Our cellar features a great range to introduce you to the different wine regions of New Zealand and Australia. The closest wineries to us are in the valleys of Central Otago, only 120km (80 miles) to the south. Cool dry nights and hot days in the summer and cold winters make for intense flavoured pinot noir, the wine for which Central Otago is very famous.

If you are starting out in your appreciation of New Zealand wines, we are happy to help you find the wine you most enjoy. Our collection is sourced from four famous Southern Hemisphere wine regions:

Hawkes Bay (Chardonnay, Merlot and Syrah)

Marlborough & North Canterbury (Chardonnay, Sauvignon Blanc, Pinot Gris)

Central Otago (Pinot Noir, Chardonnay, Riesling and Pinot Gris/Grigio)

South Australia and Western Australia (Shiraz, Cabernet) hot summers create world class full-bodied wines that complement those from NZ's cooler climate.

Two small breweries are our main beer suppliers. Emerson's (Dunedin, Otago) brews an exciting range of boutique beers. Monteith's has a history dating back to the West Coast goldrush in the 1860s. Our bar also stocks a good range of spirits or we can create a cocktail to ease your aching muscles.

We also have a selection of natural fruit and carbonated drinks. Benjer Juices of Central Otago are all produced without preservatives or additives and use local fruit. Our tap water is straight from the Moeraki River and the Southern Alps, sand & UV filtered and perfect to drink.



Your Hosts: Manager Megan Hindmarsh, Owners Anne Saunders & Gerry McSweeney and all the Wilderness Lodge Lake Moeraki Staff Team.

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WINE & DRINKS MENU

CHAMPAGNE AND METHODE TRADITIONELLE

Montana Lindauer Special Reserve Brut Cuvée (Marlborough, NZ) <i>A well-balanced New Zealand produced sparkling wine with the slightest hint of sweetness.</i>	\$15	\$55
Deutz Marlborough Cuvee Methode Traditionelle (Marlborough) <i>An excellent dry sparkling wine produced as a joint venture between the French Marque Deutz and New Zealand's Montana.</i>	\$22	\$69
Champagne Bollinger <i>This classic needs no introduction. A superb French Champagne.</i>		\$220

ROSE

Wooring Tree Central Otago Rosé (Otago NZ) <i>Delightful aromas of raspberry, strawberry and pink grapefruit with an abundance of ripe berries and stonefruit on the palate. Ranked outstanding by NZ Cuisine magazine tasting test August 2022. A great light lunchtime wine</i>	\$14	\$55
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AROMATICS

Peregrine Riesling (Central Otago NZ) <i>A delicate and textural dry organic Riesling with fine acidity and a beautiful balance of delicate minerality and fresh acidity. Flavours of grapefruit and jasmine combine with a steely palate and a long mineral-laced finish.</i>	\$14	\$55
Pegasus Bay Riesling 2016 (Waipara North Canterbury NZ) <i>New Zealand's most celebrated Riesling is richly fragrant and thrillingly intense with concentrated flavours of citrus fruits and honey, complex and luscious. A lovely dessert wine or aperitif before your meal.</i>		\$69
Peregrine Pinot Gris (Central Otago NZ) <i>An organic Pinot Gris, dry in style with lovely texture and fresh flavours of apricot, pear and ginger.</i>		\$59
Misha's Dress Circle Pinot Gris (Central Otago NZ) <i>With expressive aromas of white florals, musk, red apples and walnuts, this dry style Pinot Gris has an elegant palate of baked quince with citrus freshness and a long gentle finish. Grown on the slopes of Bendigo, beneath the Dunstan Range.</i>	\$16	\$69

SAUVIGNON BLANC

Nautilus Estate Sauvignon Blanc (Marlborough) \$15 \$59
Pale straw with green tinges and lifted aromas of gooseberry, blackcurrant bud and passionfruit skin. Rich mid-palate with good texture and a typical zingy finish. This is a traditional and powerful Marlborough Sauvignon Blanc.

Saint Clair Wairau Reserve Sauvignon Blanc (Marlborough NZ) \$17 \$79
This is an exceptional wine from the lower Wairau Valley in the heart of Marlborough. Exuberantly fruity and bursting with passionfruit, citrus and stonefruit flavours. Ranked a 5 Star Super Classic in Michael Cooper's Wine Guide.

Greywacke Sauvignon Blanc (Marlborough NZ) \$79
Honouring New Zealand's most prolific bedrock, Greywacke (pron:Grey-wacky), is a classic Marlborough Sauvignon Blanc from the personal venture of Kevin Judd, the original winemaker of Cloudy Bay Sauvignon Blanc. Cloudy Bay was the first flagship of this wine varietal in NZ but in our view it has been superseded by even better labels such as Greywacke SB and St Clair Wairau Reserve SB. Marlborough is home to the world's best Sauvignon Blanc. Deliciously crisp with vibrant flavours of fresh fruit and gooseberry. Best Sauvignon Blanc Air NZ Wine Awards 2023

CHARDONNAY

Main Divide Chardonnay (Waipara Valley, North Canterbury NZ) \$14 \$59
Hints of yellow plums and peaches intermingled with buttered toast and wood smoke from aging in older oak (no new oak). This great value wine has an excellent concentration of fruit weight in the mouth with a creamy palate.

St Clair Omaka Reserve Chardonnay (Wairau Valley Marlborough NZ) \$16 \$69
A full-bodied creamy wine made in a bold and upfront style. This wine mature in American Oak barrels (50% new) for a full softening fermentation. It has a rich, peachy flavor seasoned with sweet oak.

Greywacke Marlborough Chardonnay (Marlborough, NZ) \$79
From Marlborough's warm rain shadow vineyards, this barrel-fermented wine has a powerful and rich bouquet. Hand-picked and barrel fermented with indigenous yeasts. Subtle and delicious.

Pegasus Bay Chardonnay (Waipara, Canterbury) \$99
A superb Waipara chardonnay. This is rich, buttery and powerful with strong aromas of citrus, nectarines and ripe figs. This has a rich oak finish and is ranked a 5 star classic by Michael Cooper.

Carrick Cairnmuir Terraces EBM Chardonnay 2019 (Central Otago, NZ) \$99
EBM is extended barrel maturation which gives a richer character, flavour and structure to this lovely chardonnay. The wine comes from two vineyard parcels at Bannockburn in the warmest part of Otago's Upper Clutha. The fully organic wine has spent 19 months in total maturing in barrel and has then been cellared for several years.

RED WINES

PINOT NOIR ((The most famous wine of Central Otago, 120-160km south of Wilderness Lodge Lake Moeraki)

Misha's Cantata Pinot Noir (<i>Bendigo Central Otago NZ</i>)	\$15	\$69
<i>Medium dark-red colour with complex aromas of sweet florals, raspberries, coffee spice and chocolate this Pinot Noir has a fine and gentle sweet fruit palate with lingering plum stone tannins.</i>		
Peregrine Pinot Noir (<i>Gibbston/Cromwell, Central Otago NZ</i>)	\$18	\$89
<i>An outstanding deep ruby red Central Otago wine. Matured for 10 months in Burgundy oak to give power with elegance and a complex savoury finish with great harmony. Ranked 5 stars by Michael Cooper.</i>		
Woong Tree Pinot Noir (<i>Cromwell, Central Otago NZ</i>)	\$18	\$89
<i>Handpicked and matured in French Oak, this multi award winning wine tastes of ripe cherries and plums with a silky palate. This is a top Central Otago Pinot Noir with a 5 star ranking by Michael Cooper.</i>		
Two Paddocks Pinot Noir (<i>Bannockburn/Clyde Central Otago NZ</i>)		\$119
<i>A Classic Central Otago wine from Sam Neill's organic family vineyard. This is a very intense, richly perfumed wine and a classic to enjoy with meats after a long day in the field or on your bike.</i>		
Carrick Excelsior Pinot Noir (<i>Bannockburn Central Otago NZ</i>)		\$155
<i>This is one of the best of the famous Central Otago pinot noir wines. Grown on the warm, north facing slopes of the Old Woman Range, this vineyard receives some of the most intense heat in the brief summer then is in winter one of our coldest places-ideal for maximum flavour in the grapes. Aged for 18 months then bottled without fining. It is complex, layered and intense.</i>		

CABERNET SAUVIGNON AND MERLOT

Alpha Domus "The Navigator" Merlot Cabernet (<i>Hawke's Bay NZ</i>)	\$16	\$75
<i>Established by the Ham family, the Alpha Domus vineyard produces some of Hawke's Bay's finest wine. The Navigator offers aromas of berry, liquorice and plum. Ripe fruit, sweet oak and firm tannins create a robust and complex wine.</i>		
Langmeil Blacksmith Cabernet Sauvignon (<i>Barossa Valley South Australia</i>)	\$16	\$79
<i>A classic full-bodied red wine grown in intense summer heat with strong berry flavours on the nose and a firm tannic finish that reflects the long warm summer ripening of the fruit.</i>		
Vasse Felix Margaret River Cabernet Sauvignon (<i>Western Australia</i>)		\$115
<i>Made from grapes grown from an old established winery on the far west of the Australian continent where soils and climate combine to produce superb full bodied Cabernet Sauvignon wines that New Zealand's cooler climate could never match.</i>		

RED WINES

SYRAH AND SHIRAZ

- D'Arenburg Laughing Magpie Shiraz-Viognier** (McLaren Vale, South Australia) **\$15** **\$69**
A powerful, rich deeply coloured and flavoured wine from McLaren Vale, home to many of Australia's best red wines. This is a great wine to enjoy when you celebrate a day's hiking with a delicious meal of venison, lamb or beef.
- Alpha Domus "The Barnstormer" Syrah** (Hawke's Bay NZ) **\$69**
Fruit-driven with aromas of liquorice, black pepper, plum and floral notes. Medium bodied with dark red fruit, chocolate and savoury flavours. Soft supple tannins and a lingering finish make this an excellent food wine.
- Black Barn Syrah** (Hawke's Bay NZ) **\$17** **\$75**
A graceful, finely textured wine with deep colour and full-bodied blackberry and dark cherry notes.
- Henschke Keyneton Estate Shiraz-Cabernet Sauvignon** (Eden Valley, South Australia) **\$149**
This is a classic full-bodied red to drink with beef, or venison around the fire on a chilly evening. Grown in the warmest climate in Australia this is a celebration of full rich tannin and oak. Sometime described as a "Baby Grange".
- Rockford Basket Press Shiraz** (Eden Valley, South Australia) **\$350**
2012 vintage and now irreplaceable. This is one of Australia's great wines. This is everything you expect in a full-bodied shiraz. Powerful fruit and leather flavours, a huge nose and toasty oak combine to create a extraordinary wine.

DESSERT WINE AND MUSCAT

- St Clair Godfrey Creek Noble Riesling** (Marlborough NZ) **\$59**
Delicious dried apricot and honey bouquet that carries through to a palate of lime zest and beeswax with a spicy ginger finish. (375ml bottle)
- Greywacke Late Harvest Botrytised Pinot Gris** (Marlborough NZ) **\$75**
Superb dessert wine with lively rosehip and spice aromatics, richly flavoured with dried fruit and liquored oranges (375ml bottle)
- Yalumba Museum Reserve Muscat** (Australia) **\$75**
Superb dessert wine with the amazing rich depth that only muscat grapes can provide. A wonderful silky-smooth drink to enjoy in front of the fire with friends (375ml bottle). This is the Lodge owner's favourite

BEER

Emerson's Pilsner (4.9%) Deliciously hoppy pilsner oozes citrus with hints of malt and a lengthy dry finish (330ml)	\$13
Emerson's Bookbinder Ale (3.7%) Larger bottle. <i>A wonderfully drinkable interpretation of a classic English ale, both full flavoured and refreshing (500ml)</i>	\$19
Emerson's Reverb India Pale Ale (5%) <i>Well balanced pale ale, pouring a rich amber and combining ripe citrus and caramelised malt flavours (330ml)</i>	\$13
Emerson's Bird Dog India Pale Ale (7.0%) <i>A powerful IPA with delicious hops. Great after a hard day walking or cycling. A kiwi classic. (330ml).</i>	\$16
Emerson's London Porter (5.0%) Larger bottle <i>A dark and firm-bodied and creamy stout.. (440ml)</i>	\$19
Monteith's Black Beer (5%) <i>A rich, full-flavoured beer. (330ml)</i>	\$32
Steinlager Pure Lager (5%) <i>Smooth and refreshing lager with a crisp clean finish. Brewed with no additives or preservatives. (330ml)</i>	\$13
Steinlager Pure Light (2.5%) <i>A full-bodied, low alcohol lager offering that distinctive Steinlager taste, at just half the alcohol. (330ml)</i>	\$11
Heineken 00 alcohol-free lager (0%) 330ml	\$11
Emerson's Litte Bird Alcohol Free IPA (0%) 330ml	\$11

CIDER

Monteith's Crushed Apple Cider (4.5%) <i>A refreshing and easy drinking dry cider, made from 100% freshly crushed New Zealand apples. (330ml)</i>	\$12
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SPIRITS AND LIQUEURS

Spirits and Liqueurs
60ml double measures

\$16 (standard)
\$22 (premium)

Cocktails to order

From \$22

NON-ALCOHOLIC DRINKS

Benjer Natural Juices *(made from fresh Central Otago fruit. 275ml)*

\$8

Apple
Apple & Boysenberry
Nectarine

Soft Drinks /Sodas

\$7

Ginger beer
Lemon Lime & Bitters
Soda water
Sprite lemonade
Ginger ale
Coca Cola (Original & Diet)

Antipodes Lewis Road Sparkling Mineral Water *(500ml)*

\$14

Water *(Still)*

FREE

From the tap, sourced from the Moeraki River. Provided on your table and by the bar.
Filtered through sand
and UV for purity. Great on its own or with a slice of lemon!