

51ST SCC WINE & GOURMET SERIES

NEW ZEALAND Wine Pairing Dinner

Featuring Wines from Matawhero Wines

Date: **Friday, 19 September 2025**

From 7pm onwards

Member: **\$128 per person** | Guest: **\$148 per person**

5 Course Dinner

MATAWHERO SINGLE VINEYARD SAUVIGNON BLANC

Welcome Drink

MATAWHERO SINGLE VINEYARD PINOT GRIS CURED SMOKED SALMON-CRABMEAT

*Salmon Roe | Orange Glazed Vinaigrette |
Pickled Shallots*

MATAWHERO CHURCH HOUSE BARREL FERMENTED CHARDONNAY

MAINE LOBSTER

*Saffron Carnaroli Rice | Parmesan Crackers |
Beurre Noisette | Garden Cress*

MATAWHERO CHURCH HOUSE PINOT NOIR SMOKED HONEY DUCK (GF)

*Black Garlic Mousseline | Heirloom Baby Carrot |
Aged Balsamic Reduction*

MATAWHERO SINGLE VINEYARD MERLOT WAGYU CHARCOAL TENDERLION (GF)

*Seasonal Asparagus | King Mushrooms |
85% Dark Chocolate-Wine Glaze*

STRAWBERRY PANNA COTTA

Strawberry Sorbet

SCC COFFEE & TEA

Petite Four

*Degustation Wine Dinner Menu by
Chef de Cuisine Chef William Leong*

*Vegetarian menu available upon request

Gluten Free (GF)

Wine List

Special Take-Away \$

***Matawhero Single Vineyard
Sauvignon Blanc***

\$41 (u.p. \$53)

Matawhero Single Vineyard Pinot Gris

\$41 (u.p. \$53)

***Matawhero Church House Barrel
Fermented Chardonnay***

\$46 (u.p. \$59)

Matawhero Church House Pinot Noir

\$42 (u.p. \$54)

Matawhero Single Vineyard Merlot

\$42 (u.p. \$54)

About Kirsten Searle

Kirsten Searle is the owner and driving force behind Matawhero Wines, a boutique winery in Gisborne producing some of New Zealand's most distinctive aromatic whites and richly styled Chardonnays. Under her leadership, Matawhero has become known for its bold, single-vineyard expressions - crafted with dry farming and minimal intervention to showcase the region's unique character. Kirsten's hands-on approach extends from vineyard to glass, with a strong focus on sustainability, innovation, and a deep connection to the local community.



Kirsten Searle

Her work has earned widespread acclaim, including multiple gold medals at the New Zealand International Wine Show, Air New Zealand Wine Awards, and recognition from Cuisine Magazine. In 2023, she was awarded the Bill Irwin Memorial Trophy for her outstanding contribution to the Gisborne wine industry, a bustling wine region on the east coast of New Zealand. With a growing presence in export markets like the UK, Canada, and Singapore, Kirsten continues to elevate Matawhero as a modern benchmark for New Zealand wine - grounded in history, but always moving forward.