

SUSTAINABILITY

Wither Hills

MARLBOROUGH NEW ZEALAND

ORGANIC VINEYARDS

Wither Hills has 4 vineyards (40.8 hectares) in conversion to organic production with BioGro NZ (BG# 5141).

Management practices employed on these vineyards include mechanical under vine weeding instead of using herbicides, planting cover crops to enhance biodiversity and increase soil fertility, making compost from harvest waste (grape marc) and using sheep to graze the property instead of mowing (at certain periods in the year).

web: www.bio-gro.co.nz

SUSTAINABLE WINEGROWING NZ ACCREDITED

Sustainable Winegrowing NZ (SWNZ) is a set of industry standards that were developed to allow grape growers and winemakers to protect the environmental integrity of wine production. The Wither Hills winery was part of the pilot program which helped establish SWNZ for wineries and has been accredited with the program since 2003. In 2009 all company owned vineyards became SWNZ accredited.

web: www.nzwine.com/swnz

ISO 14001 ACCREDITED

ISO14001 is an internationally recognised standard of environmental management systems. Wither Hills has been ISO14001 accredited since September 2008. Through the ISO14001 program, we aim to identify and control environmental impacts, continually improve our environmental performance and set environmental targets which are monitored and improved over time.

web: www.ncsi.com.au

