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New Mud House single vineyard Sauvignon Blanc released

New Zealand's Mud House Wines have recently released their new flagship range of Estate grown wines with the inaugural Australian release being the **2010 Mud House 'Woolshed Vineyard' Marlborough Sauvignon Blanc (\$29.00)**.

The new range of wines from Mud House comprise single vineyard wines that have been made with the philosophy of capturing a sense of place from a range of estate vineyards throughout various premium New Zealand regions.

"The new 'Woolshed Vineyard' Sauvignon Blanc was made from our estate vineyard on the hillside blocks of Marlborough in the Upper Wairau Valley," explained Mud House winemaker, Australian born Nadine Worley. "This particular vineyard, comprising four small blocks of vines, has a range of aspects which has worked wonderfully in adding varying components and depth of flavours to the wine."

The Wairau Valley is one of the many valleys that make up the Marlborough region. The valley opens up onto the townships of Renwick and Blenheim. The first Marlborough vineyards were planted in the 1970s with the Wairau Valley still home to the majority of plantings. Other local sub regions include the cooler Awatere Valley and the southern side valleys of Wairau including Fairhall, Hawkesbury and Waihopai.

"With the maturing of these Upper Wairau vines, we are seeing more distinctive flavours in the final wines. We harvest and ferment all of these the four vineyard blocks separately in order to compare and contrast the flavours. We believe that the final blend is a true reflection of the site."

"There are significant differences in the fruit from these vineyards," said Mud House's Marlborough vineyard manager Nev Gane. "The aspect, the drainage of the soils, and the way the cooler air flows down through the valleys and subsequent vineyards. These are real and significant differences and we are seeing the results as the vines mature."

"We are finding that as consumers are becoming more mature with their expectations of sauvignon they are looking for more complex flavours and differentiation of these regional wines," Nadine commented.

The new premier Mud House range comprises 'The Home Block' Waipara Valley Pinot Gris, 'The Mound Vineyard' Waipara Valley Riesling and the 'Golden Terraces Vineyard' Central Otago Pinot Noir.

Pricing & Distribution:

2010 Mud House 'Woolshed Vineyard' Marlborough Sauvignon Blanc Mud House **\$29.00**

Mud House Wines is distributed throughout Australia by The Wine Company Pty Ltd.

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