

*Babich*

NEW ZEALAND WINE

Babich Winemakers' Reserve Syrah 2010

This deep coloured Syrah is produced from a special selection of grapes grown in the stony soils of our Irongate vineyard in the Gimblett Gravels region of Hawke's Bay. The peppery aroma and strong berry fruit flavours are characteristic of this variety.

Region:

Hawke's Bay - Gimblett Gravels

Recommended Food:

The sweet fruit flavours, edged by savoury oak make this wine an ideal partner to red meat dishes. Try it with pan-fried lamb cutlets, or with braised beef spooned over mashed potatoes.

Recommended Cellaring:

2-6 years

Production Notes:

These grapes were harvested after a long steady ripening through late summer/early autumn from our Gimblett Road vineyard in Hawke's Bay. The fruit was fermented in open vats with frequent plunging of the "cap". The young wine went to new and old French oak for maturation for a period of 10 months. The wine was blended in February 2011 and returned to oak for a further 3 months prior to bottling in late May 2011.

Technical Notes:

Alcohol: 12.5%

TA: 6.4g/l

pH 3.73

Residual Sugar 0g/l

Tasting Notes:

The bouquet is rich, dark, and brooding with spicy plum, cherry and cedar notes beautifully combined with floral and sweet tobacco aromas. Full and delectable on the entry, the palate increases and merges dark berries, cocoa and fruitcake with liquorice and sweet dried herbs. There is a mouth filling weight and soft structure derived from fine granular tannins and well integrated oak. The finish is long and more-ish displaying cigar box, blackberry and raspberry. A warm fruitful wine with lovely savoury notes.

Awards:

SILVER MEDAL -Hawke's Bay Wine Awards 2011

SILVER MEDAL -New Zealand International Wine Show 2012

4 STARS, 17.5/20 -Raymond Chan, www.raymondchanwinereviews.co.nz, April 2012

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4 STARS -Michael Cooper, Michael Cooper's Buyer's Guide to New Zealand Wines 2013

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