



CLASSICS:

Hawke's Bay Cabernet Merlot 2020



Specially selected from our estate-owned vineyards throughout the Hawke's Bay region, we combine robust Cabernet Sauvignon with soft Merlot and a touch of Malbec resulting in a full flavoured dry red with easy drinking appeal.

INFORMATION

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| Grape Varieties | 48% Cabernet Sauvignon, 37% Merlot & 15% Malbec |
| Region | Hawke's Bay |
| Harvest method | Machine |
| Processing | Crushed & destemmed. No cold soak. |
| Fermentation vessel | Stainless steel tank |
| Fermentation | On skins with careful cap management to avoid over extraction. A period in tank post ferment to aid integration of tannins. |
| Malolactic | Yes |
| Maturation | With French oak. 17 months + |
| Fining | Gelatine |
| Filtration | Yes |



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TECHNICAL NOTES

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| Alcohol | 13.7% |
| TA | 6.0 g/L |
| pH | 3.70 |
| Residual sugar | 3.2 g/L |

WINEMAKER NOTES

Tasting Note

Warm and plummy aromas with blackberry, vanilla and cedar. Gentle on entry with lush rich red fruits overlaying darker notes. The mid palate is generous and sweetly layered while the finish is spice and leather. Dense soft tannins.

Recommended food

An ideal partner for an antipasto platter featuring a range of salami and smoked meats, or any meaty casserole, like lamb shanks.

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