

Hawke's Bay Cabernet Merlot

Specially selected from our estateowned 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.





WINEMAKER NOTES

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.

FOOD RECOMMENDATION

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

AWARDS

92 POINTS - JamesSuckling.com



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INFORMATION

First Vintage Late 1970s

Grape Variety Cabernet, Merlot & Malbec

Region Hawke's Bay

Clonal Selection Various

Harvest Method Machine

Harvest Dates Various

Harvest Analysis Various

Processing Crush and de-stemmed.

No cold soak.

Fermentation Vessel Stainless steel tank

On skins with careful cap

management to avoid over extraction. A period in

tank post ferment to aid integration of tannins.

Malolactic Yes

Fermentation

With French Oak. 17

months+

Fining Gelatine

Filtration Yes

TECHNICAL NOTES

Alcohol 14.0%

TA 13.7 g/L

pH 3.70

Residual Sugar 3.2g/L