

Grapes

49% Merlot 45% Cabernet Sauvignon 6% Malbec

Region/Appellation Hawkes Bay

Alcohol by volume 13%

Residual Sugar 2.23 g/l

pН 3.7

Total Acidity 5.38 g/l

Drinking Window 2025 - 2026

Tasting Guide









Full

Light Medium

20/04/2025

Tasting note printed

Private Bin Merlot Cabernet Sauvignon 2020 6x75cl

Winemaker Notes

This blend of Merlot, Malbec and Cabernet Sauvignon has fragrant aromas and flavours of cassis, red fruits and dried herbs. A rich mouthfeel balanced with supple tannins leads to a deliciously smooth finish.

Vineyard

An array of soil profiles including free draining alluvial gravels, combined with high sunshine hours make Hawkes Bay New Zealand's 'home' to the French Bordeaux varieties Merlot, Malbec and Cabernet Sauvignon.

Winemaking

100% crushed and destemmed to fermentation vessels. Inoculated with several strains of yeast and aerated throughout fermentation, peaking in temperature at 28-30%C. Pressed off skins and aged in tank and barrel for 12 months before blending and bottling.

Vintage

The Hawkes Bay 2020 vintage followed an incredible summer, reds in particular enjoyed superb conditions for ripening.

Food match

A great pairing with all red meats, most cheeses, and Mediterranean inspired cuisine.

