



GUNN ESTATE RESERVE HAWKE'S BAY MERLOT CABERNET 2019

Vintage Summary

The 2019 season was ultimately one that winemakers loved. Fruit was in perfect condition across all Hawke's Bay varieties loaded with intensity. A combination of the long summer and lower fruit yields meant that the harvest occurred around two weeks earlier than the long-term average.

Winemaker's Note

Classically Hawke's Bay in style, this Merlot Cabernet offers aromas of dark plum, black cherry and baking spices leading to a smoky toastiness. The rich palate offers a savoury complexity with well-integrated tannins adding to its character.

Vinification

Both the Merlot and Cabernet Sauvignon grapes were grown on our Gimblett Gravels vineyard and fermented and aged with great attention to detail to ensure we captured the fruit and richness of the vineyard site. Ageing with French oak added to the complexity of flavours and aromas and the suppleness of the tannins.

Technical Details

Variety:	97% Merlot 2% Cabernet Sauvignon 1% Cabernet Franc
Food Matches:	Lamb and red meat dishes
Cellaring:	3 – 5 years
RS:	Dry
Alcohol:	13.5%
pH:	3.70
TA:	6.0 g/L

