

Merlot

GIMBLETT GRAVELS, HAWKE'S BAY 2019

HARVEST DATA

VARIETY 85% Merlot, 15% Cabernet Franc

VINTAGE DETAIL Wet up until Christmas, then

dry and warm through ripening

period. Iconic.

BRIX 23.8 average

PRODUCTION LEVEL 49 hl/ha average
HAND HARVESTED 20%

WINEMAKING

WHOLE BUNCH 0%
DESTEMMED 100%

FERMENTATION VESSEL Closed top stainless steel tanks

FERMENTATION Inoculated

BARREL TYPE Oak barriques

NEW BARREL % 25% MATURATION 17 months

FINING Yes
FILTRATION Yes
BOTTLED Nov - 20

WINE ANALYSIS

ALCOHOL 13.4

RESIDUAL SUGAR Nil

PH 3.64

ACIDITY 5.99 g/1

TASTING NOTE:

Deepest crimson red with a slight purple hue. Aromas of mulberry jam, freshly baked brioche and raspberry coulis. The palate is succulent and coating with a great concentration, but a fine tannin bead keeps the sweetness in check.

FOOD MATCH: Braised lamb

CELLARING: 1 to 15 years from vintage