

## STONYRIDGE LAROSE 2021

Variety: 55.5% Cabernet Sauvignon, 20% Merlot,

13% Petit Verdot, 11% Cabernet Franc,

2% Malbec, 0.5% Carménère

## **VINTAGE NOTES**

2021 started with a wetter than usual spring and early summer that put disease pressure on early. Once through the worst of the weather however, the rest of the summer and autumn were sensational, with peak temperatures some of the hottest we have experienced on Waiheke Island, with very low rainfall for the whole of the autumn. Above average crop levels across the vineyards, led to a longer harvest season, but with the perfect weather, the fruit all came in with great numbers and physiological ripeness.

## **TASTING NOTES**

The 2021 Larose is a deep, dense monster of a Cabernet blend, dark, rich black fruits with a lift of crushed violet and cedar on the nose, lead into a huge opulent palate, firmly structured and full bodied. The length is massive, with the blue and black fruits lingering for an eternity. This Larose is very up front drinking at the moment, but has the potential to be very long lived in the cellar for those patient enough to wait.

## WINEMAKING

**Region:** Waiheke Island **Winemaker:** Martin Pickering

Alcohol: 13.5% pH: tbc
TA: tbc
RS: tbc
Barrel Time: tbc

**Production:** 

**Cellaring:** up to 30 years

12° C / 54° F | 60% Humidity

