



## Trinity Hill Hawke's Bay & Regional Range



### Hawke's Bay Merlot 2022

*Trinity Hill Hawke's Bay wines are crafted from carefully selected sites and embody the unique qualities and characteristics of the region.*

#### Appellation

Hawke's Bay

#### Variety

Merlot 86% and  
Cabernet Sauvignon 14%

Alc/Vol 14.5%

RS Dry

#### Vineyard

Gimblett Stones

#### Harvest Detail

Picked 12<sup>th</sup> March - 22<sup>nd</sup> March

TA 4.7 g/L

pH 3.86

#### Winemaking

Weather conditions leading up to the 2022 harvest were typical of a classic Hawke's Bay summer – long hot sunny days with moderate-cool nights. As Autumn arrived the season became cooler, with intermittent rain. However early warm ripening conditions produced a ripe, supple and delicious Merlot.

Several individual parcels were harvested separately and destemmed prior to fermentation leaving a high proportion of whole berries. Gentle daily pumping over of the skins during fermentation helped extract a soft, complex structure.

Following 14 months aging in a combination stainless steel tanks and small French oak barrels the individual parcels were blended to create the ideal marriage of components.

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#### The Wine

Chocolate, plum, and blackberry aromas of Merlot have combined with the aromatic spice of oak aging to produce a fruit-dominant yet complex wine.

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It can be enjoyed with a wide range of different foods, particularly lamb and beef.

We recommend moderately short-term cellaring (2-5 years).