

# OLD COACH ROAD

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SUSTAINABLE WINEGROWERS

## NELSON MERLOT 2022



### WINE ANALYSIS

Vineyard: Seifried Edens Road vineyard

Sugar at Harvest: 22.9°Brix

Date of Harvest: Early April 2022

pH of Wine: 3.48

T.A of Wine: 5.6g/L

Suitable for Vegetarians and Vegans: Yes

### THE VINEYARD

Our 2022 Old Coach Road Merlot comes from our Edens Road vineyard. This vineyard is bordered by the Wairoa River and is notable for its exceptionally stony soil. The bouldery free-draining soil is very harsh on our vineyard equipment, but vital for holding the warmth of the Nelson sun and for ripening grapes.

### WINEMAKERS NOTE

The fruit was harvested in early April 2022 and was fermented in stainless steel open-top fermenters, over a two week period. The fermenting grapes were plunged twice daily throughout fermentation to help extract colour, tannin and to build structure into the wine.

The young wine was drained to oak barrels immediately following primary fermentation to begin malolactic fermentation. It was aged in one, two and three-year-old French barriques for an extended period. The final wine was blended, stabilised and bottled in July 2022.

### TASTING NOTE

The 2022 Old Coach Road Nelson Merlot is a savoury smoky wine with earthy notes and gentle oak spice on the nose. The palate is warm and mouth filling showing plummy flavours, currants and Christmas spice. Enjoy!

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