







# **Tasting Notes**



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Harvest 23.5 Brix

4.1 pH | 6.1 TA

Cellaring

Drinking superbly now. Cellar for further 5-10 years.

### Style

- o aromas of plums & cherries with a hint of oak and spice
- smooth on the palate featuring concentrated plum, blackberry, and black cherry notes, complemented by vanilla and toasted oak
- a bold yet still light wine, well structured and balanced between fruit, oak, and smooth tannins.

### Vineyard

- 1 acre tucked away in Owhanake Bay, at the western end of Waiheke Island, sloped towards the water
- vines are tended in the traditional way by hand, with selective shoot thinning, leaf plucking and hand harvest
- vines are not irrigated and are low yielding, leading to concentrated & exceptional flavours
- a season with above average sunshine, warm temperatures, and welltimed intermittent rain.

#### Winemaking

- berries crushed into open fermenters, with a brief cold soak on the skins to release the impressive colour
- hand-plunged during fermentation
- 100% French oak, 38% new
- 9 months maturation in barrels.



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