

Trelinnoe Vineyard

Hawke's Bay

Syrah

2021



bilancia Italian (be-larn-cha) balance, harmony and equilibrium; the scales, of the zodiac (libra)

A single vineyard Syrah from Trelinnoe (tree-lin-o) Vineyard on Roys Hill named for the owner's historical ties to Cornwall.

Trelinnoe Vineyard Syrah is a part of our project to highlight some of the most unique, small, single vineyards in Hawke's Bay.

This upper Roys Hill, north facing hillside vineyard is sandstone over limestone and is planted with the Mass Selection (MS) clone of Syrah.

The fruit was hand-picked and transferred directly to the fermentation vessel for 100% whole bunch fermentation. During fermentation the tank was gently plunged once a day. The wine was pressed at dryness and then transferred to older oak post malolactic fermentation. The 2021 Trelinnoe Vineyard Syrah was bottled in December 2023, having spent 30 months in older oak.

2021 was yet another spectacular vintage for Hawke's Bay and this Syrah shows the beauty of that vintage. Ripe, full fruit and complexity with little influence from oak, showing Hawke's Bay spice and dark fruits. Despite its proximity to the *la collina* vineyard this wine exhibits a very different tannin structure and is more brooding in its youth.



(The front label is a stylised representation of the aerial view of the vineyard).

This wine is ready to drink on release and will continue to develop positively for 10—15 years.

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