

# REDMETAL VINEYARDS

HAWKES BAY

<b>WINE</b>	Basket Press Merlot / Franc
<b>VINTAGE</b>	2016
<b>REGION</b>	Hawkes Bay
<b>BLEND</b>	99.5% Merlot / 0.5% Cabernet Franc
<b>ANALYSIS</b>	Alc.- 13.5% pH - 3.55 TA - 5.23 g/L RS - Dry
<b>VITICULTURE</b>	Spur pruned VSP trellis cropped at 1.5 –2.0 kg/vine. Trimmed and fruit zone leaf plucked. Machine harvested at 23.4—23.6 Brix.
<b>WINEMAKING</b>	Destemmed to tank. Hand plunged and pressed to tank for MLF then into barrel for 14 months.
<b>TASTING NOTES</b>	Very ripe dark fruit and licorice flavours with fine, velvety tannins and a touch of balanced oak define this rich and concentrated wine. An elegant and sophisticated red from yet another great Hawkes Bay vintage that will cellar comfortably for a decade or more.
<b>PACKAGING</b>	Screwcap Antique green 750 ml Bordeaux bottle 6 x 750 ml laydown printed carton
<b>BARCODES</b>	Bottle—9421011410236 Carton - 94210114102360
<b>ACCOLADES</b>	“softly concentrated Merlot with spices and oak ...on a fine textured palate.” - <i>Raymond Chan</i> 4 stars / 18+ June 2018

