

TW Merlot - 2019



Release Date: 3/9/20

Harvest Date: 27/3/19

Bottling Date: 5/3/20

Grape Variety: Merlot

Region: Gisborne

Brief Description

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Winemaker

Anita Ewart-Croy

Winemakers Notes

Harvested after an excellent growing season, the grapes were quickly delivered to the winery and then gently destemmed. Partially crushed berries were then plunged twice daily in a small open fermenter while complexity enhancing yeast conducted the ferment. Once dry, the skins were pressed from the wine, and the wine was transferred to American and French barriques for malolactic fermentation. After 15 months maturation in barrel, the wine was gently fined with fresh egg whites before being filtered and bottled.

pH: 3.7

Alcohol Content: 13%

Residual Sugar: 1g/L

Total Acidity: 6.0g/L

Brix at Harvest: 22.5

Cellaring Recommendation:

This wine will offer complex development over the next 5 years.

Food Match:

A perfect partner with exceptional beef, osso Bucco, rich pasta and venison.