

TW Makauri Merlot Malbec – 2014



Release Date: 30th September 2015
Harvest Date: 19th March 2014
Bottling Date: 20th August 2015
Grape Variety: 68% Merlot / 32% Malbec
Region: Gisborne

Tasting Note

With generous aromas of Doris plum, cherry and hints of coffee, this elegant blend of Merlot and Malbec caresses the taste buds with flavours of cherry and plum compote. Fine tannins add silky length, ensuring these flavours last and last.

Winemaker

Anita Ewart-Croy

Winemakers Notes

Gisborne had a fantastic season in 2014. A wonderfully long dry summer ensured that both the Merlot and Malbec for this blend reached optimal ripeness. Hand harvested and quickly transported to the winery, the bunches were destemmed into small open fermenters where the ferment was hand plunged three times a day. Once ferment was complete, the wine was pressed off and transferred to a mixture of French, American and Hungarian barriques for malolactic fermentation and maturation. Traditionally fined with fresh egg whites prior to filtration and bottling.

pH: 3.35

Alcohol Content: 13.5%

Residual Sugar: 2.02g/L

Total Acidity: 6.67g/L

Brix at Harvest: 23

Cellaring Recommendation: This elegant red blend will reward cellaring for up to 6 years comfortably.

Food Match:

Perfect with your favourite cut of lamb, beef or duck. Also superb with rich cheeses.