

Seasonal

2020 Hawkes Bay Syrah

Violets and spice and other things nice. Feminine in style, this example shows off the attributes of modern, cool climate Syrah. The free-draining alluvial soils and maritime climate of Hawkes Bay create the perfect recipe for producing wines with depth, elegance and a touch of varietal black pepper. Fragrant red and dark fruits with bramble are layered over fine but pronounced tannins. Bitter Cacao and Juniper highlights offset the sweet fruit characters, also lifted by natural acidity.

We try to keep our eager hands off when making Syrah, much like Pinot Noir, and allow the fruit expression to shine. A very small percentage of whole bunch fruit is used in the ferment where the stems add tannin and sayouriness.

This wine comes dressed in a selection of French and American oak adding structure and hints of vanilla. Syrahhhh - for anyone who likes the aromatics of Pinot Noir but wants more body.



RRP: \$30



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Technical Notes

Bottling Date 24/06/2021

pH 3.57

TA g/L 5.9

Glucose g/L <2

Sub-Region Bridge Pa, Hawkes Bay

Harvest Method Selective machine harvested to

acquire only whole, intact berries.

Processing Partially crushed retaining a percentage

of whole berries for primary fruit

expression.

Fermentation Fermented, and help on skins for a total

of 28 days to help tannin development

and integration.

Maturation 14 months in French and American oak

barriques (30% new).

Awards & 5 stars Wine Orbit, Premium (92 points)

Accolades Cameron Douglas, 4 stars Michael

Cooper.

