



**BABICH**  
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# Hawke's Bay Cabernet Merlot 2019

Specially selected from our estate-owned vineyards throughout the Hawke's Bay region, we combine soft Merlot with robust Cabernet Sauvignon resulting in a full flavoured dry red with easy drinking appeal.

## INFORMATION

<b>Grape Varieties</b>	Merlot & Cabernet Sauvignon & Malbec
<b>Region</b>	Hawke's Bay
<b>Harvest method</b>	Machine
<b>Processing</b>	Crushed & destemmed. No cold soak.
<b>Fermentation vessel</b>	Stainless steel tank
<b>Fermentation</b>	On skins with careful cap management to avoid over extraction. A period in tank post ferment to aid integration of tannins.
<b>Malolactic</b>	Yes
<b>Maturation</b>	With French oak. 16 months
<b>Fining</b>	Gelatine
<b>Filtration</b>	Yes



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TECHNICAL NOTES

Alcohol	14.0%
TA	5.6 g/L
pH	3.81
Residual sugar	3.8 g/L

WINEMAKER NOTES

### Tasting Note

Opulent and warm aromas with cassis, black plum and nutmeg. Plush, dense and concentrated. Ripe black and red fruits - blackberry, plum and a big hit of cocoa on the finish. Fleshy smooth and generous.

### Recommended food

An ideal partner for an antipasto platter featuring a range of salami and smoked meats, or any meaty casserole, like lamb shanks.

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