

THE PATRIARCH:

# Gimblett Gravels Red Blend 2018

The Patriarch is our flagship red wine, grown on our 'Irongate' vineyard in the Gimblett Gravels of Hawke's Bay. Being made in honour of the winery founder and New Zealand wine industry pioneer, Josip Babich, we apply the very best of over 100 years of wine experience and expertise to make a delightfully complex, elegant but powerful wine that is befitting of Josip's legacy.



## INFORMATION

Grape Varieties	57% Cabernet Sauvignon; 32% Malbec; 11% Merlot.
Region	Hawke's Bay
Sub-Region	Gimblett Gravels
Vineyard	Irongate
Harvest method	Hand picked & machine
Harvest Dates	30th Mar – 22nd Apr
Harvest Analysis	Cabernet Sauvignon: 23.9brix; pH 3.46; TA 6.1g/L, Malbec: 24.7brix; pH 3.46; TA 6.4g/L, Merlot: 23.8brix; pH 3.53; TA 4.6g/L
Fermentation vessel	Open Vats
Processing	Crushed and de-stemmed
Fermentation	Traditional – extended skin contact
Malolactic	Yes
Maturation	21 months in French Oak Barriques
Fining	Gelatine
Filtration	Yes

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## TECHNICAL NOTES

Alcohol	14.4%
TA	6.5 g/L
pH	3.63
Residual sugar	Dry

## WINEMAKER NOTES

Light floral/ smoky notes over complex almond, blackberry and plum aromas. Ideal with roasted red meats. It makes a good partner for a whole fillet beef, roasted rare. Also perfect with a tasty winter casserole stew.

Recommended Food	Ideal with roasted red meats. It makes a good partner for a whole fillet beef, roasted rare. Also perfect with a tasty winter casserole stew.
First Vintage	1994

## AWARDS

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