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VINTAGE 2019

HAWKE'S BAY



Regional Note: A relatively trouble free Spring with no significant frosts and good flowering lead to a moderately wet early Summer. This set up the later season and vintage period beautifully as the season became very warm and dry. March was particularly dry without the often present humidity allowing the luxury of perfect harvest timing.

Grower Degree Days: Just above long term averages

Harvest Timing: Harvest for all varieties was slightly earlier than the average season with sugars and flavours accumulating beautifully. Chardonnay and Albariño were picked at optimum ripeness. A very dry March and early April also allowed the red varieties to be harvest at optimum ripening levels.



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