



# Private Bin

hawkes bay Merlot 2021

#### Winemaker's Comment

From an outstanding vintage, the 2021 Private Bin Merlot displays deep crimson red hues and bright aromatics of black plums and berry fruits. Subtle undertones of vanilla and cedar from oak lead to a sweet fruited and textured palate. The generous fruit and supple tannins make this a versatile food wine and suitable for any occasion.

### Serving Suggestions

Enjoy with red meats, cheese and Mediterranean style foods.

## Vineyard & Winemaking

High sunshine hours and low rainfall make Hawkes Bay New Zealand's 'home' to the French Bordeaux variety Merlot. Sourced from vineyards across the region on free-draining gravel soil the fruit is destemmed & crushed to fermentation vessels, then plunged or pulsed with oxygen to extract colour and flavour prior to maturation.

#### **Technical Details**

VARIETIES: Merlot ALCOHOL: 13.5% PH: 3.60 TOTAL ACIDITY: 5.9gL RESIDUAL SUGAR: 1.4gL