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SILKY SMOOTH ORGANIC SANGIOVESE CABERNET SAUVIGNON

HAWKE'S BAY 2018

This wine conjures up the collision of two European power houses. Sangiovese is Italian; sleek and fine, but sometimes lacking in a little agricultural grunt. While Cabernet Sauvignon is as French and as barbaric as the hordes of Gauls who descended to defeat the Italians (well, Romans really) on their southern border.

VINEYARD

Our Maraekakaho vineyard is planted on an old river bed which slowly wound its way into existence around 200,000 years ago. These vines are barely a twinkle by comparison, planted 13 years ago and tended organically for the last five. Yields were kept low and canopies well-tended with these late ripening varieties.

WINERY

We kept it simple in the winery and gently destemmed before going to tank for ferment. The wine was softly pumped over every day throughout ferment and spent up to three weeks on skins to allow those silky-smooth tannins to evolve. After pressing, the Sangiovese was aged in a 2500L French oak tank and the Cabernet Sauvignon in French oak barriques. The two varieties were kept separate until blending 15 months later, with the final blend made up of 84% Sangiovese and 16% Cabernet.

TASTE

Drink by the fireside or gently chilled on a hot summer's day. Organic perfumed yet earthy, flowers and tobacco, powerful and so silky smooth ... a border skirmish in a bottle.

Alcohol: 13%

Standard Drinks: 7.7 standard drinks

Allergens: Contains Sulphites, Traditionally fined using egg, traces may remain.



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