



UNISON VINEYARD

Established in 1993, Unison Vineyard is a boutique Family Estate at the heart of the premium NZ red grape growing GIMBLETT GRAVELS Winegrowing District in Hawkes Bay.

Our handcrafted philosophy includes handpicking, gentle basket pressing, and top quality oak barrel ageing to ensure the wines developed from our unique terroir capture the intensity the vineyard has to offer.

RESERVE MERLOT 2013

WINEMAKING

Gentle handling and attention to detail are the hallmarks of our winemaking. The fermenting wines are carefully controlled to maximise gentle tannin extraction and extended post ferment maceration allows us to achieve a balance between fruit intensity and tannin structure.

We handpick our merlot grapes, then de-stem and lightly crush them to just break their skins before they go into the fermenting vats. The 2013 Reserve Merlot was basket pressed and barrel aged for 2 years. It was fined with fresh egg whites and unfiltered before bottling.

TASTING NOTE

Sweet leather and cinnamon mingle with juice prunes on the nose. Bold intense flavours of black doris plums with nutmeg spice on the palate. Refreshing with a soft tannin finish.

FOOD MATCH

Rich spaghetti bolognaise, chilli con carne, mushroom and blue cheese tartlet with rocket greens.

CELLARING POTENTIAL

5-8 years.



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