

# BROOKFIELDS

## Highland Merlot / Cabernet 2015



<b>Category:</b>	WINE
<b>Style:</b>	RED WINE
<b>Variety:</b>	CABERNET
<b>Region:</b>	HAWKES BAY
<b>Vintage:</b>	2015
<b>Volume:</b>	750ml
<b>Vineyard:</b>	The Merlot is grown on an elevated (Highland) site adjacent the Burnfoot Vineyard in the Tuki Tuki Valley and the Cabernet Sauvignon was grown at Ohiti Estate. The Merlot was harvested on the 7th April at 23 Brix and the Cabernet Sauvignon also achieved good sugars and was harvested on the 14th April.
<b>Vinification:</b>	Both wines were fermented and pumped over in the traditional Bordeaux manner. Time on skins exceeded two weeks. Malolactic was completed prior to going to barrel which was a mix of new American and French oak.
<b>Appearance:</b>	Intensely dark.
<b>Palate:</b>	The flavours in the 2015 Platinum Merlot Cabernet are orchestrated, with the Merlot from the Highland Vineyard leading from the front. Robust plum, blackcurrant, toast, vanillin, new oak and spice flavours make this a generous red wine. Rich, full bodied and inviting, the 2015 Highland Merlot is only the sixth Platinum label since 1989. It is reserved for Merlot dominant wines of excellence.
<b>Cellaring:</b>	10 years

### Technical Analysis:

<b>Alcohol:</b>	14.00%	<b>pH:</b>	3.45
<b>Packaging:</b>	1 x 750ml	<b>Titrateable Acidity:</b>	6.08
<b>Hancocks Product:</b>	14234		