

# BROOKFIELDS

## Burnfoot Merlot 2018



<b>Category:</b>	WINE
<b>Style:</b>	RED WINE
<b>Variety:</b>	MERLOT
<b>Region:</b>	HAWKES BAY
<b>Vintage:</b>	2018
<b>Volume:</b>	750ml
<b>Vineyard:</b>	The 2018 Burnfoot Merlot is a blend of grapes grown in the Tuki Tuki Valley and the Ohiti Valley. Translated, Burnfoot is the property with the stream crossing at its foot. Ironically both properties border rivers. Trained on classical VSP trellis system, on free draining soils, the Merlot obtains excellent levels of ripeness, with good colour intensity, clean fruit, and ripe tannin development.
<b>Vinification:</b>	Harvested fruit arrived at the winery on the 7th and 12th of April 2018. It was destemmed and crushed into stainless steel tanks. Fermentation immediately followed, at temperatures between 25 and 30 degrees Celsius. After 3 weeks of maceration, the wine was pressed, and underwent MLF. Twelve months plus in French and American oak has softened the tannins, and generated a rich complexity.
<b>Appearance:</b>	Youthful magenta hue.
<b>Palate:</b>	An enticing red with a velvet texture, plum, spice, soft tannins and subtle oak. The ripe flavours are its strength and make it an ideal food wine. It is harmonious and most approachable. The 2018 Burnfoot Merlot will readily pair with lamb or steak.
<b>Cellaring:</b>	10 years

### Technical Analysis:

<b>Alcohol:</b>	13.50%	<b>pH:</b>	3.78
<b>Residual Sugar:</b>	Dry	<b>Packaging:</b>	1 x 750ml
<b>Titrateable Acidity:</b>	5.14g/L	<b>Hancocks Product:</b>	15914