

## BROOKFIELDS Burnfoot Merlot 2020



Category: WINE

Style: RED WINE

Variety: MERLOT

Region: HAWKES BAY

Vintage: 2020

Volume: 750ml

Vineyard: The 2020 Burnfoot Merlot is made from grapes grown in

the Tuki Tuki Valley. Translated, Burnfoot is the property with the stream crossing at it's foot. Trained on classical VSP trellis system, and grown on free draining soils, the Merlot obtains excellent levels of ripeness, with good

colour intensity, and ripe tannin development.

Vinification: Harvested grapes arrived at the winery on the 3rd of April

2020. 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 seasoned French oak has softened the tannins, and generated a rich

complexity.

Appearance: Dark Red

Palate: The 2020 vintage was hot and dry, hence it was an ideal

season for the Burnfoot Merlot. Ripe plum, black fruits, dried herbs, spice and French oak are evident and contribute to this savoury wine. The 2020 Burnfoot Merlot

will pair with lamb, beef or venison and equally the

humble Spaghetti Bolonaise.

Cellaring: 10 years

## **Technical Analysis:**

**Alcohol:** 14.00% **pH:** 3.6

**Residual Sugar:** Dry **Packaging:** 6 x 750ml

Titratable Acidity: 5.13g/L Hancocks Product: 16127