

# BROOKFIELDS Highland Merlot (Last Stocks) 2021



<b>Category:</b>	WINE
<b>Style:</b>	RED WINE
<b>Variety:</b>	CABERNET
<b>Region:</b>	HAWKES BAY
<b>Vintage:</b>	2021
<b>Volume:</b>	750ml
<b>Vineyard:</b>	The Merlot grapes for this wine were grown on the gravels in Mere Road just outside of Hastings - a short drive from the winery.
<b>Vinification:</b>	The Merlot grapes were fermented and pumped over in the traditional Bordeaux manner. The time on skins exceeded two weeks, with malolactic fermentation being completed prior to going to oak barrels which were a mix of new and one year old French oak barriques.*Like all our wines, it is Vegan Friendly.
<b>Appearance:</b>	A rich magenta red colour with a shine hue
<b>Bouquet:</b>	Notes of blackcurrants, spice, cigar box and toast.
<b>Palate:</b>	The 2020 'Highland' Merlot is a belter. Lavish, with blackcurrants, spice, cigar box, toast and silky tannins, it reflects the quality grapes and French oak barrels used in the winemaking. Harmonious and in balance. It is only the seventh 'Platinum' label since 1989. This label is reserved for Merlot dominant wines of excellence.
<b>Cellaring:</b>	8-10 years

## Technical Analysis:

<b>Alcohol:</b>	13.50%	<b>pH:</b>	3.52
<b>Residual Sugar:</b>	Dry	<b>Packaging:</b>	6 x 750ml
<b>Titrateable Acidity:</b>	5.78g/L	<b>Hancocks Product:</b>	16128