

Babich

Tasting Note

BABICH THE PATRIARCH 2005



Grapes:

70% Merlot 30% Cabernet Sauvignon

Region:

Hawke's Bay

Winemakers:

Adam Hazeldine

Recommended Food:

Ideal with roasted red meats. It makes a good partner for a whole fillet beef, roasted rare. Also perfect with a tasty winter casseroled stew.

Recommended Cellaring:

5-15 years

Production Notes:

The various parcels were hand harvested and vinified separately in small concrete vats with hand plunging. After an extended time on skins the new wines were drained to small oak barriques, (French and American), to mature. The blend was assembled in 2005 and returned to oak for further maturation for a total of 21 months.

Tasting Notes:

This is a very attractive wine. The dark blueberry, sweet vanillin and heather notes combine with a mouthwatering blueberry pie aroma that seduces the taster. The palate is velvety and smooth with layers of flavour - blueberry, spice, tar and Christmas cake extend onto the long and powerful finish. This wine is rich and opulent with quality integrated oak, which produces a wine of royal quality!