

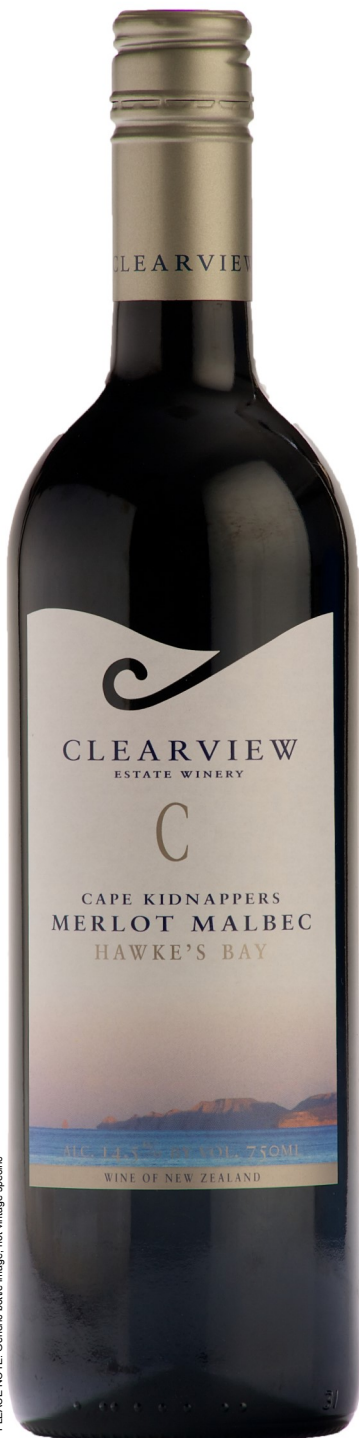


# CLEARVIEW

ESTATE WINERY

## Cape Kidnappers Merlot Malbec

A smooth, fruit-driven, medium bodied red. Flavours of plums, black, spice and violets combine with firm tannins and toasty oak. Underlying tannin structure and acidity will enable this wine to develop well over the next 4-6 years. A more fruit-driven red designed for earlier drinking compared with the Reserves.



PLEASE NOTE: Generic bottle image, not vintage specific.

### WINEMAKING NOTES

This wine is predominantly Merlot (90%) blended with 10% Malbec. The blend is made from four individual parcels that were vinted and matured separately up until blending in December 2013. After selective picking the grapes were fermented on their skins and hand plunged every 4 hours. This wine underwent a cooler ferment for lively fruit pick-up and a fuller mouth feel. The grapes were given extended maceration for up to 4 weeks. The wine was then matured in French and American oak barrels before blending and traditional fining with free range egg whites.

### FOOD SUGGESTION

Red meats or rich creamy pastas

### TECHNICAL NOTES

<i>Vintage</i>	2013	<i>Alc/vol</i>	13.5%
<i>Region</i>	Hawke's Bay	<i>TA</i>	5.6
<i>Sub-region</i>	Te Awanga	<i>Res Sugar</i>	< 1g/L
		<i>p/H</i>	3.54