



CLEARVIEW

ESTATE WINERY

Reserve Cabernet Franc

The superb vintage of 2013 has produced a floral wine with plum, spice and rich cassis flavours supported by subtle oak flavours derived from barrel maturation.

From vines nearly 30 years old, this Te Awanga, Hawke's Bay red is dark and full-bodied, with rich blackcurrant, plum, spice and herb flavours, fresh acidity, toasty oak adding complexity and a good backbone of tannin. Best drinking 2017. ★★★★★^{1/2}" - Michael Cooper of WINESTATE

ACCOLADES

4 1/2 stars- WINESTATE magazine 2015

95 points- Bob Campbell MW

94 points - Wine Orbit 2015

WINEMAKING NOTES

This wine comprises predominantly Cabernet Franc along with a small percentage of Malbec. The wine was fermented as two parcels (one Franc & Malbec, the other all Franc) in open top vats with regular hand plunging. After completion of the ferment the wine was given extended maceration on skins of up to 4 weeks to extract all the complex flavours and ripe tannins. After pressing, the wine was matured again as individual parcels in oak barriques for 12 months. The wine was blended and fined with free range egg whites prior to bottling in early December 2014.

FOOD SUGGESTION

Venison, beef or lamb

TECHNICAL NOTES

<i>Vintage</i>	2013	<i>Alc/vol</i>	14%
<i>Region</i>	Hawke's Bay	<i>TA</i>	6.5
<i>Sub-region</i>	Te Awanga	<i>Res Sugar</i>	< 1g/L
		<i>p/H</i>	3.60

