



CLEARVIEW

ESTATE WINERY

Enigma

This is our Merlot predominant 'Reserve' label. From the exceptional and incredibly ripe 2009 vintage comes this seductive and sensuous red wine. This wine ranks amongst the best reds ever produced in our history. A blend of 3 grape varieties, the flavours of plum, sweet spicy cassis, mint and earthy violets combine with long fine-grained tannins and sweet oak.

WINEMAKING NOTES

A special selection of our best barrels in any year, this is a blend of 77% Merlot, 15% Malbec and 8% Cabernet Sauvignon for structure. The fruit was crushed and de-stemmed into 2000 litre tanks, cold macerated for 3 days and fermented with a mixture of wild and inoculated yeasts. Temperatures reached 32°C with a 4 hourly hand plunging and daily rack and returns. The wine spent 28 days undergoing extended maceration, then matured in a mixture of new & seasoned French & American barriques.

FOOD SUGGESTION

Venison, beef or lamb

TECHNICAL NOTES

<i>Vintage</i>	2009	<i>Alc/vol</i>	14.5%
<i>Region</i>	Hawke's Bay	<i>TA</i>	
<i>Sub-region</i>	Te Awanga	<i>Res Sugar</i>	< 1g/L
		<i>p/H</i>	

