



CLEARVIEW

ESTATE WINERY



OLD OLIVE BLOCK

Clearview's red blends have been at the forefront of the New Zealand wine industry for over twenty years. The name for this wine comes from our 100 year old olive tree which grows in our original vineyard block. "Old Olive Block" has had a loyal following since arriving in 1994 and has collected numerous accolades in its time, the 1998 vintage securing 5 Gold Medals.

This wine has a wonderful nose and the palate is generous, warm and spicy with complex flavours of cassis and plum. Savoury oak, long silky tannins and a backbone of acidity give this wine a beautiful finish. Cellaring potential is from 3 to 12 years, earlier for a more fruit driven style.

The grapes were all hand picked from a mixture of our estate 20 year old vines and some of our fruit from the SH50 sub region. The fruit was crushed and de-stemmed in 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.

TASTING NOTES

PALATE warm spice with complex flavours of cassis and plum.
Savoury oak, long soft tannins finish this wine beautifully.

CELLARING until 2016

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

TA 5.9 pH 3.58% Alc 13.5%

ACCOLADES

New Release