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# 2019 Ti Point Hawke's Bay Tess White Merlot

Ti Point wines were born of the passion and determination of three generations of women to create elegant wines of layers and texture. Full-flavoured, supple and smooth, these are stylish wines to be shared with family, friends and food.

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| **Vintage Summary** | The 2019 season was ultimately one that winemakers loved. Fruit was in perfect condition across all Hawke's Bay varieties loaded with intensity. A combination of the long summer and lower fruit yields meant that the harvest occurred around two weeks earlier than the long-term average.<br>Our Merlot vines thrived producing fruit of exceptional quality, flavour and colour. |
| **Winemaker's Note** | A pale salmon colour with rose gold hints. Red berry fruits burst from the glass with subtle notes of apricot in the background. The fresh palate shows delightful summer berry compote and cream characters that linger through to the finish. |
| **Vinification** | Gentle, quick handling is the key to making our Tess White Merlot. The grapes are picked early in the morning, while still cold and immediately pressed to limit colour uptake to the clear grape juice from the skins.<br>Fermented at cool temperatures in small stainless steel tanks we aim to capture the savoury notes of Merlot along with its bright, fleshy red and stone fruit characters and soft texture. |
| **Technical details** | Variety: Merlot<br>Region: Hawke's Bay<br>Food Match: Antipasto lunch platter<br>Cellaring: 2 years<br>RS: 4.5 g/ L<br>Alcohol: 12.5 %<br>pH: 3.31<br>TA: 6.8 g/ L |

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