GIUNTA MALBEC NOUVEAU 2022

Silver Medal - NZ International Wine Show Bronze Medal - Hawke's Bay Wine Awards

92 points - Cam Douglas MS

91 points - Sam Kim

87 Points - Bob Campbell MW



Winemakers Notes:

This wine reflects a Malbec grown in Bridge Pa on the Heretaunga Plains. The soils are silty-loam and free-draining red metal of mixed alluvial and volcanic origin. The wines tend to reflect more lush fruit and rounder tannins. After a relatively cool spring during flowering, there was reduced yield of fruit on the vine resulting in more concentrated wines. We utilse two clones of Malbec (595 & 1056) grown on 3 different blocks around the Bridge Pa Triangle.

The fruit was cold macerated for 6 days on skins before a wild fermentation and once dry, it was macerated on skins for an additional 15 days during which time malolactic fermentation was completed. As it has become our tradition, the wine was released for the spring as a 'Nouveau' Wine and bottled in late May for immediate release to the public.

Tasting Notes:

An exploration into the fruitiness of the malbec grape, it's all cherries all the way. Deliciously bright and unabashedly fruit-forward with soft resolved tannins like biting into a fruit-filled chocolate. A perfect anywhere anytime red that makes friends wherever it goes. Drink it, don't overthink it.

92 points - Cam Douglas MS:

Dark purple and ruby core of colour with a youthful fuchsia pink rim lead to a bouquet of dark fleshy plums, black currants and milk chocolate scents. Dark roses and boysenberry then fruit spices and dry clay soil suggestions. Dry, fruity, plenty of weight and freshness with contrasting fruit tannins, medium+ alcohol warmth and bold acid line. Very youthful still with plenty of energy and vibrato. Best drinking from late 2025 through 2032+.

All our wines are suitable for vegans and certified sustainable.

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Harvest Data:

Picking Date Late March

Brix 20.5 - 22.5 Subregion Bridge Pa

Vineyard TK, Matt Hills, Otawhao

Clones 595 & 1056

Winemaking:

Destemmed 100%

Fermentation Vessels Open top fermenters

Cap Management Pumpovers & Punchdowns

Skin contact 13 days

Barrel selection Stainless tanks

Yeast Wild

Bottling Date 27/05/2022 Composition 100% Malbec

Wine Analysis:

Alcohol 12.5%
Acidity 4.5 g/L
Residual Sugar 0 g/L
Free sulphur 10 mg/L
Total Sulphur 30 mg/L



