



VILLA MARIA

NEW ZEALAND

Cellar Selection Grenache

GIMBLETT GRAVELS 2017

AWARDS & ACCOLADES

Silver - Hawkes Bay A&P Bayleys Wine Awards 2018
4 stars - Winestate Magazine 2018

WINEMAKERS COMMENT

Grenache is one of the most widely planted red varieties in the world but is exceptionally rare in New Zealand. The 2017 vintage produced a spicy and fragrant wine, laden with dried herb and violet characters. Supple tannins ensure the wine may be enjoyed upon release but will develop further complexity with careful cellaring.

SERVING SUGGESTIONS

Excellent with poultry, pork, red meat or Mediterranean inspired foods

VINEYARD & WINEMAKING

The fruit for this special wine comes from a small one-hectare planting in our Ngakirikiri Vineyard located in the heart of the Gimblett Gravels in Hawkes Bay. The fruit was hand-picked and gently de-stemmed. 40% was fermented and aged in large format rotatable oak cuvée with prolonged skin contact and 25% was matured in new French oak. The wine was coarse filtered and bottled 14 months after vintage.

TECHNICAL DETAILS

VARIETIES: Grenache

ALCOHOL: 14.0%
pH:3.67

RESIDUAL SUGAR: 0.35g/L
TOTAL ACIDITY: 5.8g/L

