

Hãhã 2018 Hawke's Bay Merlot

Awards and Accolades

★★★★☆, 90/100

Sam Kim, Wine Orbit

The wine is beautifully fruited and fragrant on the nose showing dark plum, sweet cherry, mixed spice and toasted almond characters, leading to an elegantly weighted palate that is plump and silky. It is wonderfully balanced and smooth with a lingering tasty finish.

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Raymond Chan Wine Reviews

Dark, even, ruby-red colour with youthful purple hues. The nose is fresh and bright with up-front primary aromas of dark-red plums and berry fruit with curranty detail and fresh herb elements. The fruit is uncomplicated and very accessible, and forms a solid heart. Medium-bodied, the palate has fresh, bright, aromatically sweet and juicy flavours of black plums, curranty fruit and fresh herbs that blossom to fill the mouth. The fruit is supported by light, grainy tannin extraction. Dark-red florals emerge to provide aromatic lift. The palate is balanced with light, refreshing acidity, and the wine carries with good energy to a lingering finish of plums, currants and herbs. This is an aromatic, uncomplicated Merlot with primary plum, currant and herbal flavours on a fresh, lightly structured palate. Match with roasted and barbecued red meat dishes and Mediterranean fare over the next years.

89/100 Cameron Douglas, MS

Great colour of deep purple and ruby; aromas to match with Doris plums and heirloom plums, fleshy dark berries and dark flowers. The oak surrounds the fruits flavours with suggestions vanilla and clove. Easy tannins with a dusty feel, medium acidity, balanced and ready to enjoy.

