



BROWN HILL

2016 Perseverance Cabernet Merlot



Wine Specs

Vintage: 2016
Varietal: Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot
Harvest: 19nd March – 04th April 2016
Acid: 5.7 g/L
pH: 3.7
Bottled: November 2017
Alcohol: 14.0%

Tasting Notes

Colour: Deep, dark red
Nose: Plum, black currant, cedar and spice
Palate: Cassis, coffee and cocoa. Great length and fine, ripe tannin.
Cellar: 10 years

Vineyard Notes

A warm dry spring and summer meant that the vines got off to an early start however a midsummer rain event pushed the harvest dates back. Cabernet, Merlot and Malbec particularly benefitted from this extended maturation developing fine, ripe tannins.

Production Notes

The grapes were handpicked and hand sorted from the very best parcels of our Cabernet Sauvignon and Merlot. The varieties were crushed separately with the Merlot being fermented in open fermenters while the Cabernet was fermented in stainless vats. Following pressing, the wines underwent malolactic fermentation before being racked to French barrels of which 40% were new. The varieties were not blended until maturation was complete.

Food Pairing Notes

Herb crusted lamb rack

Winemaker: Nathan Bailey, Haydn Millard