

# C R A G G Y   R A N G E

## 2024 Syrah

GIMBLETT GRAVELS, HAWKE'S BAY

*From the stony soils of the famed Gimblett Gravels, this Syrah captures the unmistakable synergy between site and variety. Defined by a legacy of meticulous farming, clonal precision, and low-vigour, high-density vines, this wine reflects decades of refinement in one of New Zealand's most distinctive terroirs. Deeply expressive, it champions lifted aromatics of florals, black pepper, and dark fruit with a palate supported by vibrant energy, refined structure, concentration and poise, with fine tannins and an elegant finish.*

### TASTING NOTE

Deep purple with a garnet hue. The nose is richly perfumed, with vibrant purple florals and dark fruits intertwined with aniseed. The palate carries a plush, concentrated core that is generous yet never heavy, showing superb balance. Layers of blackberry, cracked pepper and violet flow into a mineral finish, laced with black olive. Powerful yet detailed, this Syrah clearly reflect the character of the Gimblett Gravels, offering both intensity and precision.

### VINTAGE & WINEMAKING

A cool, late winter delayed budbreak, followed by a mild spring that tempered yields, led into a warm, dry summer allowing for extended hangtime. 11 parcels were hand-picked and hand-sorted, and the majority was destemmed before fermentation in a combination of oak cives, stainless steel tanks, and concrete vats. The skins were gently plunged, over an average of 20 days, and malolactic fermentation occurred simultaneously. Matured for 16 months in French and Austrian oak, 22% new, before being fined, filtered, and bottled in November 2025.

ALCOHOL	13
RESIDUAL SUGAR	nil
PH	3.63
ACIDITY	5.6 g/l



2022	94 Points	Andrew Caillard MW
2021	94 Points 19 Points	James Suckling Joelle Thomson – Drinksbiz
2020	Best in Show Best in Show 94 Points 94 Points 94 Points 93 Points	Decanter World Wine Awards Hawke's Bay Wine Awards Cameron Douglas MS – Decanter James Suckling Andrew Caillard MW Rebecca Gibb MW – Vinous
2019	95 Points 94 Points 94 Points 94 Points	Mike Bennie – The Wine Front James Suckling Christina Pickard – Wine Enthusiast Tina Gellie – Decanter