

BROOKFIELDS 'HILLSIDE' SYRAH 2018

VARIETAL: 100% Syrah
REGION: Hawke's Bay
STYLE: Dry
VINTAGE: 2018

VINEYARD:

A hillside site is adjacent the Bridge Pa township, in the heart of Hawke's Bay. The vines were irrigated during their establishment, but once maturity was reached the irrigation was turned off. The site is sheltered from cool southerly breezes due to its northerly aspect, hence it is very hot during the summer. The vineyard is a mix of Mass Selection (MS) and Clone 470. Both clones ripen at the same time. The 470 clone is renowned for its colour and intensity whereas the Mass Selection has full flavours, so hence it is a heavenly match.

VINIFICATION:

Harvested on the 7th April, the intensely flavoured Syrah was destemmed, crushed and fermented in closed fermentation tanks. Following pressing, the wine underwent malolactic fermentation and was then racked into new French oak barriques. The wine was taken out of the oak barrels 17 months after maturation, and then estate bottled.

APPEARANCE:

An intense deep red colour with a magenta meniscus.

TASTING NOTES:

The 'Hillside' Syrah is an expression of where it is grown. An intense dark red colour and fragrant - showcasing Damson plums, blackcurrants, black-pepper, leather, French oak and ripe supple tannins engage across your palate. It is made largely from the 470 clone of Syrah which is renowned for its colour and concentration and responds well when aged in new French oak barriques. This 'Hillside' Syrah is elegantly balanced and is seamlessly majestic - cellaring will reward those with patience.

FOOD PAIRING:

Scotch Fillet with mushroom sauce and seasonal vegetables.

CELLARING:

10+ years.

DETAILS:

Alcohol	14.0% Alc./vol.
Total Acidity	6.08 g/L
pH	3.562
Residual Sweetness	Dry

Owner / Winemaker Peter Robertson

