

# SACRED HILL



BASKET PRESS  
MERLOT CABERNET  
2004



*Sacred Hill - Reserve Range*

## VARIETY

75% Merlot / 19% Cabernet Sauvignon / 6% Malbec

## REGION

Hawke's Bay

## STYLE

Full bodied rich red

## VINTAGE SUMMARY

An absolutely brilliant autumn resulted in full physiological ripeness and flavour development.

## VINIFICATION

Traditionally fermented in bordeaux fermentors with long post-ferment maceration on skins. Barrel matured for 12 months.

## APPEARANCE

Deep red.

## BOUQUET

Rich spicy aroma's with black plum, liquorice and black olives.

## PALATE

Bursting with ripe plummy fruit characters, chocolate, liquorice and cassis. Big but gentle structure, excellent length and persistence.

## CELLARING

3-5 years

## SERVE

Ambient

## TECHNICAL DETAIL

Winemaker	Tony Bish
Alcohol	13.5%
Residual Sugar	<1 g/L
Titrateable Acidity	5.5 g/L
pH	3.45
Packaging	12 x 750m bottles