

2020 HAWKES BAY SYRAH



SYRAH SOURCED FROM ASH RIDGE ESTATE BRIDGE PA TRIANGLE, HAWKES BAY **NEW ZEALAND**

The Vanguardist range represents the epitome of what we are about. Pushing the realms of standard winemaking to deliver intrigue, excitement and utmost quality...without any loss of sense of place. Ultimate dedication to the craft of viticulture and winemaking, encapsulated in a bottle - through our lens.

VINEYARD AND WINERY

The 2020 Syrah is sourced from Ash Ridge in the Bridge Pa triangle, Hawkes Bay. Organic certified/in conversion, selection Massale and Chave clones. Both spontaneous ferments, one at 30% whole bunch and the other at 60%. Around 5 weeks on skins with very gentle pigeage prior to pressing. The raw wine was shipped to the Vanguardist winery in Seppeltsfield mid-winter 2020 and spent a further 12 months of elevage in a 22HL Slavonian oak foudre.

Why Hawkes Bay Syrah? Michael grew up here and completed no less than 10 New Zealand vintages. He also obtained a BWSc at the local Eastern Institute of Technology. He has friends and family based here and it felt like a great opportunity to reconnect with where it all started.

> 240 dozen produced Closure: DIAM Origine 10 49x24.2mm FSO2: at bottling 37ppm **TSO2: 70ppm**

> > pH: 3.58 TA: 5.7g/L **Alcohol: 12.5%**