## BEACH HOUSE MONTEPULCIANO 2021



TROPHY – NZ INTERNATIONAL WINE SHOW 2023 DOUBLE GOLD – NZ INTERNATIONAL WINE SHOW 2023 GOLD MEDAL – HAWKE'S BAY A&P WINE AWARDS 2023 GOLD MEDAL – NATIONAL WINE AWARDS OF AOTEAROA NEW ZEALAND 2022

Vineyard: The Track Vineyard Area: Gimblett Gravels

 Alcohol:
 14.5%

 PH:
 3.55

 Total Acidity:
 6.5 g/l

 Residual Sugar:
 <1g/l</td>

The 2021 summer was a very kind one for grape growing with 41ml of rain on the 16<sup>th</sup> of February and 25 ml on the 11th of march. No irrigation was required over this period and the vineyard remained dry and warm.

The Montepulciano enjoyed this perfect hang time on the vines resulting in the fruit being hand-picked in perfect condition on April 7<sup>th</sup>. Gentle hand plunging and pump overs aided the extraction of all the colour and flavours in the berries. After spending one month on skins the wine was run off into fine French oak of which 20% was new where it spent just over 12 months.

Rich ripe boysenberry, cherry stone, tar, and spice aromas saturate the nose. The palate is awash with ripe red fruits and punchy velvety tannins. This Montepulciano is not for the faint hearted but will excite anyone that's into big reds. This wine has a long life ahead of it and will certainly be worth cellaring into the coming decades.

A trophy and 3 gold medal says it all. PERFECTION!

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