



# MĀWHITIPANA

## RIDGE ESTATE

### 2021 MĀWHITIPANA RIDGE SYRAH

*The Ridge vintages are produced from the block of the vineyard owned and managed by Mair & Simon, so named for the both outlook and the slopes from which these grapes are harvested from.*

The 2021 Māwhitipana Ridge Syrah had a run as dreamy as its origins, a single vineyard in a sunny, hidden valley with a glimpse of the sea. Handcrafted by two families that live on the land as kaitiaki (guardians), this season was long, calm and dry. A hot summer with little rain produced low yields with highly concentrated grapes. The settled harvest period allowed ideal picking conditions.

A vibrant Syrah with opulent blackcurrant and boysenberry notes on the nose, fused in harmony with the savouriness of cracked black pepper. Ripe berry fruit and spices flooding the palate, with fine tannins on the finish.

A limited vintage with only 99 cases produced, release February 2023.

<i>Harvest Date</i>	<i>3 February 2021 and 20 March 2021</i>
<i>Tonnage</i>	<i>2.18 tonne</i>
<i>Harvest Analysis</i>	<i>21.2 Brix, pH 3.19, 8.6 g/L TA 24.4 Brix, pH 3.33, 7.95 g/L TA</i>
<i>Wine Analysis</i>	<i>13.39% alcohol, pH 3.49, 6.8 g/L TA</i>
<i>Additives / Allergens</i>	<i>Yeast, Sulfites, Egg white</i>
<i>Cellaring Potential</i>	<i>10 years +</i>
<i>Winemaking Details</i>	<i>Two harvest picks. Bunches hand-picked then sorted over a sorting table, destemmed and then must pumped into plastic fermenters. Inoculated with yeast and hand plunged twice per day during fermentation. Pressed after two and a half weeks on skins, and aged in barrels. Aged for 10 months in 33% new French oak, 67% seasoned French oak. Bottled 17/02/2022</i>
<i>Winemakers</i>	<i>Michael Wood and Heinrich Storm</i>