

TRINITY HILL

“The Gimblett” Bordeaux Blend 2005

Hawkes Bay, New Zealand

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Winery Principals	John Hancock, Robert & Robyn Wilson, Trevor & Hanne Janes
Winemakers	Warren Gibson & Liam McElhinney
Wine Specifications	
Cases imported	98
Varietal Blend	Merlot 61%, Malbec 21%, Petit Verdot 11%, Cabernet Franc 5%, Cabernet Sauvignon 2%
Alcohol	13.8 %
T/A	0.58 g/100ml
pH	3.67
Residual Sugar	<0.1 g/100ml
Brix at Harvest	23.4 - 24.9
Cellaring	Up to 12 years
Harvest Dates	March 25 - April 20, 2005

Vineyards

Location

Gimblett Estate, Gimblett Stones, and Stockbridge vineyards

Soils

Deep river gravels and alluvial sand/silt.

Vines

Sustainable accreditation.

Vintage

2005 was a good season in Hawkes Bay and suited early ripening varieties such as Pinot Noir. Moderate climatic conditions allowed harvesting late in the season with optimum flavor profiles and good acidity.

Vinification

Hand-harvested. Each variety picked and fermented separately in stainless steel. Aerative pumpovers allowed for maximum extraction of color and tannins. Cultured and natural yeasts used, with MF in tank. Individual wine batches were allowed to undergo significant post-ferment maceration. Aged in French oak.

Winemaker's Notes

Overall Impression

Complex, dense, and brooding.

Aroma

Cassis, mulberry, plum, red currant, violets

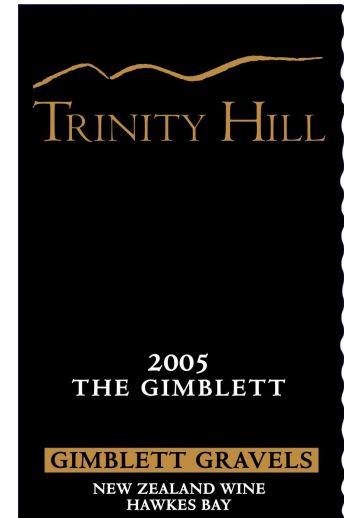
Palate

Mixed black fruits, chocolate, licorice, leather.

Serving Suggestions

After generous decanting, enjoy in large glasses with roasted meats, hearty stews, and well-aged cheeses.

SRP US\$33



Trinity Hill is consistently rated as one of the elite 'Top Ten' New Zealand wineries. With a focus on quality, John Hancock's wines are known for their great elegance, power, complexity, and balance.
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