

MERLOT 2004

Our softer, everyday range. Named to honour the 114 years old historic racing stables which house the winery. These wines are soft and approachable, inviting conversation, conviviality and hospitality.

TASTING NOTES

Stables Merlot 2004 is a wine of contemporary style that shows excellent ripe fruit, balance and complexity.

The blend of 85% Merlot and 15% Malbec shows just how well these varieties are suited to the Hawke's Bay climate.

Colour

Deep red with crimson hues.

Bouquet

Sweet, dark plums and berries with toasty oak.

Palate

Ripe plums and fine oak. Round, mouthfilling palate with soft tannins. A warm finish with lingering ripe plum and spice flavours.

Cellaring

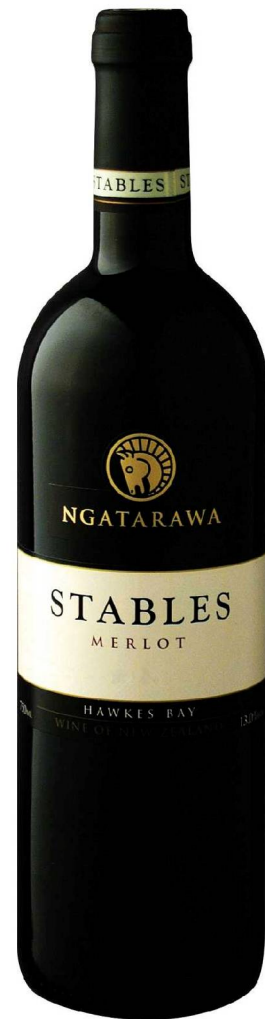
This wine can be enjoyed now or cellared for up to 5 years.

Food Suggestion:

May be enjoyed with all red meat dishes, authentic pasta or strongly flavoured cheeses.

The Corban family

The Corban family has been making wine in New Zealand for more than 100 years. Today their story continues at Fairbrothers Estate Wines - the picturesque winery in the century old Racing Stables in Hawke's Bay.



Technical Notes

Vintage:	2004
Region:	Hawke's Bay
Winemaker:	Alwyn Corban Peter Gough
Grape Ratio:	Merlot 85% Malbec 15%
Alc/Vol:	13.5%
Total Acid:	5.4 g/l
Residual Sugar:	<2g/l
pH:	3.70



