

Trinity Hill Gimblett Gravels,
Gimblett Gravels Tempranillo 2015
Gimblett Gravels, Hawkes Bay, New Zealand



Grape Varieties	100% Tempranillo
Winemaker	Warren Gibson
Closure	Screwcap
ABV	13.5%
Residual Sugar	0.27g/L
Wine pH	3.81
Bottle Sizes	150cl
Notes	Sustainable, Vegetarian, Vegan

PRODUCER

Founded in 1993, Trinity Hill has become a byword for quality and consistency in Hawkes Bay. Having recognised the outstanding potential of the Gimblett Gravels soils, Trinity Hill became one of the region's early pioneers, planting vines on a barren plot which continues to produce exceptional wines today. Winemaker Warren Gibson, who has been with Trinity Hill since 1997, is also in charge of the 80 hectares of vineyard owned by Trinity Hill and knows Hawkes Bay and the Gimblett Gravels exceptionally well. The wines reflect this. Warren and his team make wines that show the best of what Hawkes Bay and the Gimblett Gravels can produce. The wines have an elegance, balance, drinkability and precision of flavour that makes them a joy to drink.

VINEYARDS

The Tempranillo grapes come from deep, free draining gravel soils in the microclimate of the Gimblett Gravels region. The soils were deposited by the Ngaruroro River as it changed course over many thousands of years. Their low fertility and excellent drainage give small crops of grapes with highly concentrated flavours and aromas. Trinity Hill produces from four of their own vineyard sites within the sub-region of Gimblett Gravels.

VINTAGE

2015 was a very warm season in Hawkes Bay with a typically dry late summer.

VINIFICATION

Hand-harvested grapes were de-stemmed but not crushed. Once fermentation had begun, the cap was gently punched down or pumped over once or twice daily during the ferment. The must was pressed soon after the ferment was completed and then aged in a mixture of stainless steel tanks and French and American oak barriques. The stainless-steel ageing maintains freshness in the blend.

TASTING NOTES

This Tempranillo shows attractive brambly, blackberry-like ripe fruits along with spicy complexity. The palate is rich and textural with beautifully soft tannins. Liquorice, chocolate and sarsaparilla flavours linger on the finish.