

MOUNT BROWN ESTATES GRAND RESERVE TEMPRANILLO 2021













\$19.99

A Taste of Spain from North Canterbury

Product Code:	4320
Country:	New Zealand
Region:	North Canterbury
Sub Region:	Waipara
Style:	Red
Variety:	Tempranillo
Producer:	Mount Brown Estates

Closure:	Screw Cap
Unit:	Each
Volume:	750ml
Alcohol:	13.5%
Grape:	100% Tempranillo





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TASTING NOTES

Tempranillo is the great grape of Spain responsible for the famous, sumptuous reds of Rioja. It is not so common in New Zealand and especially not so in North Canterbury. Mount Brown normally use most of it for their Rosé, but the perfect growing conditions of 2021 resulted in exceptional fruit that just had to be made into this rare and delicious wine - Just 96 cases were made.

The grapes were crushed to small open top fermenters and the wine fermented to dryness. Post fermentation maceration was for 8 days when desired tannin extraction was achieved. The wine was pressed to barrel for maturation with 60% of barrels being new French oak. Natural malolactic fermentation was completed by spring and then aged for 2 years in barrel. This is the equivalent to a Rioja Gran Reserva.

Winery notes (2021 Vintage)

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of 2021 produced this intensely flavoured wine. This rich and bold wine shows ripe flavours of plum and dark berries intermingled with hints of chocolate and subtle smoky tones. The palate is round and generous with tannins that are well integrated with French oak.

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5 Stars & 94/100 Sam Kim, Wine Orbit, August 2023 (2021 Vintage)

"Sweetly fruited and complex on the nose with dark plum, cedar, rich floral and warm spice aromas, it's succulent and plush in the mouth offering excellent fruit intensity combined with silky texture and fleshy mouthfeel, finishing long and delicious. At its best: now to 2028."

92/100 Cameron Douglas MS, September 2023 (2021 Vintage)

"Youthful, fleshy, fruity and with some spice highlights. Aromas and flavours of fresh ripe strawberries and blueberry fruits, a touch of ginger then a fresh meaty quality, nutmeg and clove, some vanilla and earthy flavours of clay and rock. Balanced and ready to drink with moderate tannin levels and a youthful acid line, core fruit flavours of berries then charcuterie and spice. Best drinking from 2023 through 2028."

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