

VINO FINO

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SAINT CLAIR JAMES SINCLAIR MALBEC 2021



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VALUE

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Original price was: \$28.99. ~~\$22.99~~ Current price is: \$22.99.

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| Product Code: | 5083 | Closure: | Screw Cap |
| Country: | New Zealand | Volume: | 750ml |
| Region: | Hawkes Bay | Alcohol: | 13.5% |
| Sub Region: | Gimblett Gravels | Grape: | 100% Malbec |
| Style: | Red | Natural: | Vegan Friendly |
| Variety: | Malbec | | |



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TASTING NOTES

Top 12 Gimblett Gravels 2021 Annual Vintage Selection by Andrew Caillard MW
Gold Medal - New Zealand International Wine Show 2023

Winery notes (2021 Vintage)

"Dark savoury aromas layered with aromatic floral notes. Rich and concentrated with flavours of boysenberry and blackberry laced with a touch of black pepper. The finish is long and savoury with a subtle toasty charred oak character.

The fruit was held cold for four days prior to ferment to help extract maximum flavour and to enhance colour stability. It was inoculated to carry out the primary alcoholic fermentation during which the fermenting must was hand plunged up to four times daily. When dry the young wine was pressed and then racked off its gross lees to new and seasoned French oak. It underwent malolactic fermentation for six months, and remained on lees for 10 months. The wine was gently extracted from oak, blended and carefully prepared for bottling."

Rated Excellent & 93+/100 Cameron Douglas MS, May 2024

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(2021 Vintage)

"Almost opaque with dark hues of purple and a pink rim, the colour-staining in the tears indicates a wine of concentration and power. Aromas and flavours of dark cherries and milk chocolate, dark spices from barrel and roasted Doris plum flesh. Plenty of weight and intensity, power and elegance is at the core of the flavours. Polished tannins and plenty of acidity for mouth and length. Delicious, fresh and still very youthful. best drinking from 2025 through 2030+."

93/100 David Walker Bell, WineFolio.co.nz, November 2023 (2021 Vintage)

"100% Malbec wines from New Zealand can be hard to find – this one is from the Gimblett Gravels in Hawke's Bay – winner of a Gold Medal at the NZIWS this year. An opaque dark burgundy in the glass with a dense fragrance of cassis, plum, vanilla, liquorice, chocolate and blueberry. Spice, pepper and toasty charred oak on the palate. Soft pliant tannin and a smooth unctuous texture. Robust savoury flavours of nori and old leather lie in layers, but there is a freshness here too – abundant blue fruits carried on some lively acidity. A long, sleek finish."

4 ½ Stars & Top 10 Cuisine NZ & International Bordeaux Varieties Tasting, June 2023 (2021 Vintage)

"Youthful in the glass with an almost purple colour which, despite its depth, appears bright. The florals, too, are bright alongside aromas of blueberries and spice. The palate offers lovely drinkability with wild-bramble berry flavours, soft opulent tannins and a long finish."

4 ½ Stars Michael Cooper, December 2023 (2021 Vintage)

"Offering good value, the dark, purple-flushed 2021 vintage was harvested from 15 to 19-year-old vines and matured for 10 months in French oak casks (10 per cent new). Mouthfilling, vibrantly fruity and supple, it is highly approachable, with generous, ripe blackcurrant and plum flavours, fresh acidity and a very smooth finish. Energetic and finely balanced, it should be at its best 2025+."

91/100 Kasia Sobiesiak, The Wine Front, April 2024 (2021 Vintage)

"Purple tones, violets and blueberry pie, hints of vanilla and mint chocolate. Slippery texture, with juicy fruit and some balancing bitter coffee in the flow. Easy to enjoy. Fresh. **No brainer great value!**"

90/100 Mike Bennie, The Wine Front, April 2024 (2021 Vintage)

"Very 'malbec-y' with bright, plummy fruit scents married to mulberry, sweet chocolate and spices, mint leaf lollies, white pepper and faint cinnamon. The palate is washy, soft, slurpy and super easy drinking. No structure to speak of but a wonderful, easy drinking and gulpable feel and a lean into the variety's sweeter fruit profile, with crisp acidity in tow. A pleasure."

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