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BROOKFIELDS 'HILLSIDE' SYRAH 2015

VARIETAL: 100% Syrah **REGION:** Hawke's Bay

STYLE: Dry **VINTAGE**: 2015

VINEYARD:

A hillside site is adjacent the Bridge Pa township, in the heart of Hawke's Bay. The vines were irrigated during their establishment, but once maturity was reached the irrigation was turned off. The site is sheltered from cool southerly breezes due to its northerly aspect, hence it is very hot during the summer. Syrah excels in this location - it is a mix of Mass Selection (MS) and Clone 470.

VINIFICATION:

The fruit was harvested on the 8th April, the intensely flavoured Syrah was destemmed, crushed and fermented in closed fermentation tanks. Following pressing, the wine underwent malolactic fermentation and was then racked into new French and American oak barriques. Then taken out of barrel some 12 months later, and it was estate bottled.

APPEARANCE:

An intense red wine with a magenta meniscus.

TASTING NOTES:

Rich in pepper, black fruits, liquorice, dried herbs, toasty char, vanilla, coffee and new oak, the 2015 'Hillside' Syrah is vibrant and exciting. The vineyard site is northerly facing, and the winemaking is tailored to this terroir. The 'Hillside' Syrah is an expression of where it is grown and is best summed up as 'unique'. Past awards for this wine endorse its reputation, and justify its place in your cellar.

FOOD MATCH:

Lamb shanks in a red wine jus.

CELLARING:

Ten years.

DETAILS:

Alcohol 14.0% Alc/vol.

Residual Sweetness Dry **Total Acidity** 6.15 g/L **pH** 3.55

Owner / Winemaker Peter Robertson

