

# The Providores and Tapa Room

We are proud to offer the largest selection of premium New Zealand wines at any restaurant in Europe. We hope you find our list informative and concise - and that you are able to make an informed selection from it. We are constantly evolving our choice of wines, keenly aware of supporting the many vineyards throughout New Zealand with whom we have built strong relationships over the years.

## New Zealand's Wine Regions

There are 10 major wine regions in New Zealand. Each boasts an enormous diversity in climate, terrain and therefore, style of wine.

(see page 2 for regional descriptions)

As a tribute to each of these regions The Providores will be profiling one wine each month in our 'by the glass' programme, allowing you the opportunity to try some of our favourite wines.

1. Northland
2. Auckland
3. Bay of Plenty and Waikato
4. Gisborne
- 5. Hawke's Bay**
6. Wairarapa
7. Nelson
8. Marlborough
9. Canterbury and Waipara
10. Central and North Otago



## 2014 Left Field, Malbec, Gimblett Gravels Hawke's Bay

Dry, rich and smothered in black fruits. Wonderful liquorice spice and chocolate undertones

**36.00 bottle / £23.00 carafe / 7.75 glass**

**TEAWA**  
SINGLE ESTATE WINES  
OF NEW ZEALAND

The Lawson family's first foray into viticulture was as grape growers back in 1980, but they soon realised they had the potential to do more. After searching for the right piece of land for five years, they established the 50 hectare Te Awa Farm Winery in 1997, situated in the renowned Gimblett Gravels.

Te Awa is an abbreviation of the Maori Te Awa-O-Te-Atua, which means River of God - a reference to the mysterious subterranean streams that flow through the district, beneath the vineyard and from which the wines draw their subtle characteristics. At Te Awa, the vines are planted in free-draining alluvial soils, typical of the area.

Here also, temperatures, low rainfall and the permeability of the soils create an almost paradoxical blend of consistency and complexity. Farther along Gimblett Road the soil is all stone and shingle with little variation. However, at Te Awa, the same stone and shingle profile is interspersed with small patches of sand and silt deposited by a swirling river long-since vanished. Te Awa Farm had been subdivided back in 1906 from the original Longlands Station, traditionally used for grazing. However, the Lawson's intention was not to farm sheep but to grow premium grapes for making fine wine. And this they have achieved.