



Munson Mountain` Cabernet Franc 2019

100% Cabernet Franc
Alcohol Level: 14.9%
Levels: pH 3.83 TA 6.2 g/l
Sugar: 0.51 g/l
Harvest date: October 31, 2019
CSPC +464178

Tasting Notes

Deep ruby red in colour, with aromas of cassis, blackberry, and sweet tobacco. Flavours of cherry, black currant and a hint of minerality. Smooth tannins and balanced acidity allow for a long and delicate finish. This full-bodied single vineyard wine will cellar for well over a decade.



Harvest Notes

The 2019 winter brought extremes: warm 12° January days to lows of - 22° and lots of snow in February. When the buds started pushing, we noted that the colder months had resulted in a bit of bud and vine death in our Naramata Bench Vineyards. Bud burst was two weeks later than average due to the long winter. The beginning of Okanagan spring was one of the driest on record. However, by the end of June, the valley saw a cooling trend that lasted through most of July and brought much precipitation. At the end of July, the real Okanagan summer started with hot sunny days and little precipitation. The grapes soaked in the summer heat and quickly made up for lost time. Variation in our reds happened right on schedule. September was wetter than usual. October was dry with 15° days and 2 to 6° nights. On October 9th, a -4° frost dropped the leaves in most of our vineyards. After the frost, the weather was perfect to hang the fruit until the end of October, with all the remaining vineyards achieving the right amount of flavour, sugar, and acid. No Floods. No Smoke. Overall, it was a low tonnage year with excellent ripe fruit across all varieties in our vineyards.

Winemaking Notes

The Munson Cabernet Franc is a micro-selection of the best lots from our home vineyard of Penticton's landmark Munson Mountain, just below the winery. Fruit quality and barrel selection are key to making this wine. In 2019, the Cabernet Franc was hand picked and sorted on the Munson Mountain estate vineyard. The berries were crushed and held cold for three days. The wine was held separate for 21 months in new and older French oak barrels and then assembled for bottling. Our Cabernet Franc further developed in bottle for 12 months prior to release.

Cellaring Notes

The 2019 Munson Mountain Cabernet Franc will develop for well over a decade. Drink now through 2030.