



The Legacy 2014

44% Cabernet Franc, 24% Cabernet Sauvignon, 24% Merlot
4% Malbec, 4% Petit Verdot
Alcohol Level: 14%
Levels: pH 3.81 TA 5.9 g/l
Sugar: 0.45 g/l
Harvest date: October 7th - November 6th, 2014

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Re-release Tasting Notes

Deep ruby in colour, the nose is a captivating blend of French vanilla, cassis, and ripe blackberry. On the palate, layers of licorice, dark chocolate, and five-spice unfold, accompanied by stewed blueberry and a subtle hint of leather. The finish is impressively long, with a refined tannin structure that adds both elegance and depth. A wine of exceptional sophistication and complexity.

Original Tasting Notes

The chore character of The Legacy is revealed only with time; it improves with age. Balance, more than richness defines this wine and assures harmonious bottle aging. Experience shows that our best red wine gains both subtlety and complexity as tannins soften and flavours develop over time.

Harvest Notes

2014 was an extraordinary growing season deftly handled by our experienced vineyard and winemaking team. Budburst was three weeks earlier than normal due to mild winter and spring temperatures. Rapid early growth continued through a hot and dry summer into early August, giving our vineyard crews plenty of time for precision irrigation and rigorous yield management. Ultimately, we harvested a high-quality crop, with all vineyards picked at optimum ripeness with great flavour and sugar/acid balance. "Overall, this has been one of the warmest, driest growing seasons", said winemaker Stefan Arnason. "Because of the warmer than average temperatures, Stefan is upbeat about a vintage that delivered concentration, but also structure, a fact which suits him just fine. "Quality and consistency across the board", he says, "the chemistry was simple in 2014 and the flavours are incredible."

Winemaking Notes

The Legacy is a singular wine defined by the sum of its parts. Winemaker Stefan Arnason has a rare gift for articulating the special character of our Osoyoos Lake Bench estate vineyard, producing delicious, age-worthy wines year after year. Elegant and refined, the 2014 version marries power and finesse, with serious density and grip. Bordeaux-inspired perhaps, but with the suppleness and freshness that is Next World Okanagan. All component varietals were estate grown and hand-picked for their specific characteristics, then rigorously sorted prior to fermentation and extended maceration. The various lots were aged in 100% traditional French barriques for 21 months before the final blend was assembled, and then matured in-bottle for 2 years prior to release.

Cellaring Notes

Fresh and vigorous in its youth, the 2014 The Legacy will benefit from 2-3 years bottle development and can be cellared for up to 15 years.

