

Trius

WINERY

Showcase Red Shale Cabernet Franc 2020

VQA FOUR MILE CREEK VQA

"From a single vineyard to a single barrel, Showcase wines are the true expression of our passion for making great wine. Hand made from the best vineyard sites in Niagara, our un rushed approach to winemaking shines through in every bottle."



WINE MAKING

Harvested from our estate-owned Clark Farm Vineyard, October 10 to 21, 2020 at 24.4° Brix. After traditional red wine making, the wine was transferred to French oak barrels for aging and malolactic fermentation. After 17 months of oak aging, the top barrels were selected for the final assemblage (40% new French oak barrels). Filtered only once at bottling, then given extensive bottle aging before release.

WINE ANALYSIS

Sweetness Level: Extra-Dry, 2.8 g/l
Alcohol: 13.9%
Total Acidity: 6.3 g/l
PID#: 1143926
UPC#: 0 48162 00667 6
Production: 523 cases

Four Mile Creek – Sub-Appellation

Gentle slopes, expansive vineyards, abundant full sunlight, warm intense growing conditions, red shale with a high silt and clay content. This sub-appellation provides rich fruit development in Cabernet Franc.

FLAVOUR PROFILE

Deep garnet colour with an aromatic bouquet of black currant, ripe blackberry, spice box, forest floor, oak, and earth, accented by a touch of licorice and eucalyptus. This full-bodied wine has soft drying tannins, great structure, moderate acidity, and great aging potential. On the palate, look for flavours of currant, blackberry, spice, and oak. The extra-dry, lingering finish shows juicy black fruits and sweet spice, mingling with a savoury mushroom and dried herb note.

SERVING SUGGESTIONS

Serve at a cool room temperature of 17 to 18°C. Serve with medium rare grilled red meats, including beef and lamb; pepper steaks; two-year-old Canadian cheddar; braised meats; winter stews; earthy wild mushroom stews. Enjoy now through 2030; decanting is recommended if drinking now through 2025.

CRITICAL ACCLAIM

Gold Medal – 92 points – WineAlign National Wine Awards of Canada 2023.
Silver Medal – 90 points – Decanter World Wine Awards, UK 2023.

Notes: "Our Cabernet Franc is planted along a ribbon of red shale that holds the moisture and nutrients. We thin the leaves to expose the grapes to the sun and leave them on the vines longer to fully ripen. The resulting wine is full-bodied with berry notes and a classic peppery spice finish."



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