



2019 IRONSTONE RESERVE CABERNET FRANC

WINE DATA

Producer

Ironstone Vineyards

Region

Sierra Foothills, California

Country

United States

Wine Composition

90% Cabernet Franc,
10% Petite Sirah

Alcohol

14.5%

Total Acidity

4.9 G/L

Residual Sugar

3.0 G/L

pH

3.7

DESCRIPTION

This 2019 Reserve Cabernet Franc is an elegant, rich yet soft wine. With fleshy black cherry, blackberry and spicy oak aromas, this seductive wine can be enjoyed now or cellared for a few years. Succulent dark fruit flavors of plum, black cherry with a hint of sweet oak fills the palate and gives way to a smooth, medium-length finish.

WINEMAKER NOTES

Located at 2,400 ft. above sea level, these grapes were estate-grown at the winery's Hay Station Ranch vineyard, where warm days are cooled by the evening mountain air. The area's unique soil of decomposed granite mixed with volcanic sediment and red clay produce a wonderful mineral component. Grapes have been grown in the Sierra Foothills for 150 years. The winery practices sustainable viticultural practices such as crop reduction, leaf removal, organic materials and drip irrigation to improve the quality of the grapes and intensity of flavors. After undergoing extended fermentation and maceration, the wine was transferred into small oak barrels and placed into underground caverns to ensure a fuller, richer, finer wine of true varietal character. The Reserve 2019 Cabernet Franc is aged for 12 months in small French and American oak barrels, and is an elegant, rich yet soft wine.

SERVING HINTS

Serve at room temperature with grilled meats, lamb chops and strong cheeses. It is also an excellent choice for chocolate desserts such as a molten chocolate cake, bittersweet chocolate mousse, or a simple plate of homemade fudge.

