



IRONSTONE

Vineyards

Ironstone Reserve Cabernet Franc

“Press Highlights”

2021

- **93 – TASTING PANEL**, *September 2024*

“Dusty, with dried violets, candied black raspberry, and tobacco leaf. Cured meats add salinity to its broad reach across the palate. Tannins are teeth-gripping and chewy, demanding attention on a foundation of graphite. Big and impressive.”

- **92 – WINE ENTHUSIAST**, *June 17, 2024*

“This wine is opulent, with aromas of Blackberry, Black cherry compote, dried herbs, potpourri, and vanilla cream on the nose. The flavors on the palate are Red currant jam, pepper jam, dried fennel, intertwined Red plum, espresso and a long silky finish. Pair with Grilled Tri Tip.”

- **91 – JAMES SUCKLING**, *May 2024*

“Spiced dark berry, ground spice, walnut and cedar notes. Medium- to full-bodied with firm, grainy tannins. Structured and nicely filled with fruit. Drink or hold.”

2020

- **91 – WINE & SPIRITS**, *December 2022 Winter Issue*

“Dusty and mineral, with scents of licorice root, blackberry, horehound, violets and olive skin, this is concentrated and deeply flavored. It feels ample middle, then precise and firm on the finish, with fine tannins.”

- **90 – WINE ENTHUSIAST**, *March 2023*

“Enjoy aromas and flavors of red cherry, red plum, wild strawberry, boysenberry, tarragon and basil, toasted wood, chocolate and subtle hints of leather, black pepper and crushed violets. Course, chalky tannins coat the mouth, but are well-met by the concentrated fruit structure; an elevated acidity provides the needed freshness.”

2019

- **92 – WINE ENTHUSIAST**, *February 2022*

“This big, bold yet velvety wine is filled to the brim with black cherry, dark chocolate and other baking spices, with a blanket of soft tannins for a rich, mouth clinging texture. It shows excellent depth and quite a bit of complexity.”

2013

- **91, Cellar Selection – WINE ENTHUSIAST**, *May 2017*

“Deep color, concentrated flavors and an appealing, velvety texture make this full-bodied wine delicious and age worthy. It has balsam and cinnamon aromas and deep but dry black-currant, pomegranate and nutmeg flavors. Best after 2019.”