



Reserve Cabernet Franc Block 3

Vintage: 2014

Price: \$28.95 (BC)

Tier: Block Series

Availability: Winery, Bench Club, Select Restaurants,
Select Retail Stores

CSPC: 467332

UPC: 626037001157

Harvest Report: The persistent heat in the spring of 2014 meant yet another accelerated growing season. However, September's warm days and cool nights allowed for our mature Cabernet Franc vines to develop excellent flavours, complexity, and full tannins. Planted in Block 3, these vines are some of the oldest in the Okanagan Valley.

Winemaking: Our 2014 was defined by an ideal growing season. The long hang time on the vine resulted in very ripe fruit, allowing for a true expression of the Golden Mile Bench Cabernet Franc. Aged in only our best oak, this wine had an extended maceration, followed by full malolactic fermentation. Enjoy it now or bottle age for maximum varietal expression.

Tasting Notes: Ripe raspberry & currant open the bouquet of this enticing red, with hints of dill, sage & underbrush. Enjoy a fruit forward entry of ripe berries, cherry, coffee, light smoke and an earthy minerality. The finish is lengthy with medium yet persistent tannins, and drinking exceptionally well in its youth. Compliment this robust red with cinnamon and winter-spiced duck breast or quail; excellent with classic pâtés.

Winemaker Specs:

Harvest Date: Late October 2014	Ageability: 5-7 years
Bottling Date: August 2016	Aging: 12 to 16 months
Blend: Cabernet Franc	Alc. 14%
Oak: 25% American, 75% French	RS g/L < 5.0
Production: 1000 cases	pH 3.77 TA g/L 6.75

Alc.: alcohol | RS: residual sugar | TA: total acidity

Hester Creek Estate Winery has its roots deep in B.C., with vines first planted in the alluvial soil of the Golden Mile Bench in 1968. Today, our estate vineyard produces wines that are a lively, intensely flavoured expression of this place we call home.

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