



Terra Unica Petit Verdot-Malbec

Vintage: 2014

Price: \$32.95 (BC)

Availability: Bench Club Subscription

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UPC: 623371

Harvest Report: The Petit Verdot and Malbec grapes achieved optimum ripeness in the warmer-than-average temperatures of 2014 — which made it a perfect choice for our Terra Unica red wine, exclusive to Bench Club subscription members. Among the oldest in the Okanagan Valley, these vines are carefully managed using drip irrigation, precision leaf removal and shoot positioning to encourage the continued growth of outstanding fruit, full of complex, dark flavours.

Winemaking: Petit Verdot from Block 4 and Malbec from Block 6 are 100% estate-grown grapes which were co-fermented in our Italian Ganimede fermenters. A lengthy, gentle maceration to extract ripe flavours and full tannins was followed by malolactic fermentation. This wine was barrel aged for 12 to 16 months in a blend of 75 percent French and 25 percent American oak, resulting in an intense and layered flavour profile. Only the best barrels were selected to make this strictly-Bench-Club-subscription offering.

Tasting Notes: This bold wine offers up ripe dark fruit on the nose followed by aromas of cocoa, mocha, and molasses. Young gripping tannins, black cherry, and dark chocolate are what await your palate, accompanied by a long full finish. Though ready to enjoy now, this wine will excel in 3-5 years. Enjoy this formidable blend with wild game or full cheeses. Absolutely perfect with winter stew.

Winemaker Specs:

Harvest Date: mid October 2014

Ageability: 5 to 10 years

Bottling Date: August 2016

Ageing: 12 to 16 months

Blend: 85% Petit Verdot, 15% Malbec

Alc. 14.1% RS g/L <5

Production: 88 cases

pH 3.45 TA g/L 6.75

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

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

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