

Oldfield Series Cabernet Franc 2010



VARIETY

100% Cabernet Franc

REGION

Oliver, BC (Okanagan Valley)

VINEYARD

Diamondback Vineyard (Black Sage)

Block: 2GHI

Aspect: South-West

Vine Orientation: North-South

Soil: Diamondback Vineyard (Sand)

Vine Age: 15 years

VINTAGE 2010

Picking Date: October 21, 2010

Growing Conditions: A cool season with

average rainfall.

Vineyard Operations: 2-Bud Vertical shoot positioned, early shoot thinned, bunch thinned, leaf & green bunch removal.

VINIFICATION

This lot of wine was carefully selected to be our first Oldfield Series Cabernet Franc. The wine went through malolactic fermentation and was barrel aged for 12 months in a combination of new French and American oak barrels. The wine was allowed to bottle age for 9 months before release.

CELLARING

Drink within 5-7 years.

TECHNICAL ANALYSIS

Viticulturist: Andrew Moon

Winemaker: Sandra Oldfield

Bottled: April 4, 2012

Brix at Harvest: 24.8

Alcohol: 14.6%

Residual Sugar: <2.0 g/L

Titratable Acidity: 6.00 g/L

pH: 3.80

PRODUCT INFO

Retail Price: \$34.99

Cases: 374

CSPC: +300327

Release Date: February 1, 2013

Availability:

BC: Winery, Miradoro Restaurant



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Accolades

93 pts - John Schreiner

It begins with appealing aromas of vanilla, plum, black berry and black currants. There is a satisfying gob of sweet berry flavours on the palate – flavours of blackberry, raspberry, spice and tobacco. The finish just won't quit. The wine is drinking well now but will age well for another seven years.

91 pts - Icon Wines

...it makes a fine addition with an intriguing nose of wild blueberry, huckleberry, vanilla, Irish cream and toasted oak spice. The mocha-infused palate bursts with vibrant, raw, field berry acidity and flavours supported by fleshy, ripe tannins and a long, balanced finish with lingering chocolate and herb spices.

90 pts - Tom Firth, Wine Access

Spicy, clean, and aromatic with herb, a bit of jam and chocolate but no grassy or green edges. One year of oak and a further 9 months of bottle aging take off some of the rough edges, not quite getting rid of some drying tannin and alcohol heat, but elegant and true to the varietal. Grows on you, but would really sing with some juicy burgers or stews and perhaps a couple years of cellaring.

89 pts - Anthony Gismondi

This is a fairly intense style with a slightly reduced nose upon opening (we recommend splash decanting and getting some air on the wine for 15 to 30 minutes) The palate is quite rich and soft with good franc density and weight and more typically earthy, cedar, smoky, black fruit flavours that finish long and smooth. This wine is just a baby and will continue to improve in bottle over the next two years.