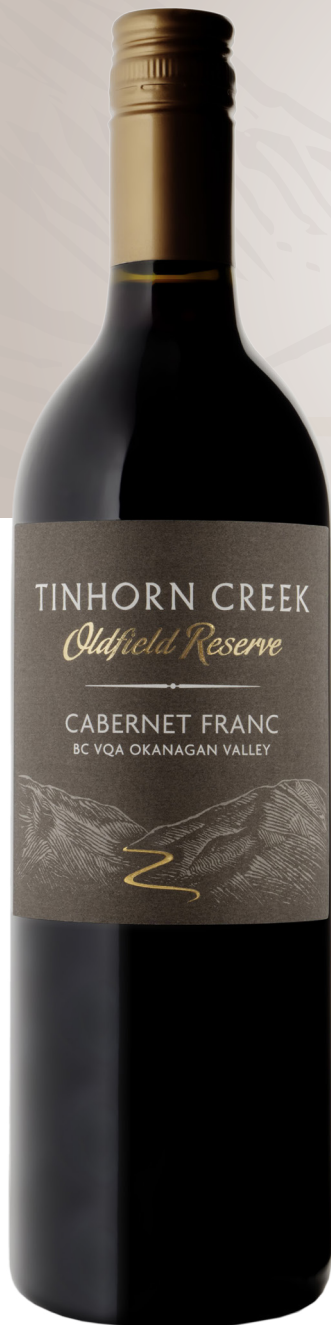


TINHORN CREEK

NATURALLY SOUTH OKANAGAN



2015 *Oldfield Reserve* Cabernet Franc

GRAPE VARIETY: 85% Cabernet Franc, 15% Merlot **TECHNICAL ANALYSIS**

HARVEST DATE: Sept. 25 - Oct. 16, 2015

BOTTLING DATE: June 2017

REGION: Okanagan Valley

Winemaker: Andrew Windsor

Viticulturist: Andrew Moon

Brix at Harvest: 24.8

Alcohol: 14.5%

Residual Sugar: <3.0g/L

PH: 3.53 TA: 5.88

VINEYARD: Diamondback Vineyard

(Black Sage Bench)

Aspect: South - West

Vine Orientation: North - South

Soil: Sand

Vine Age: 14 Years

2015 VINTAGE: A hot and dry summer, typical of the South Okanagan, with a cool October that allowed us to pick our four different blocks of Cabernet Franc over a 20-day period. These Cabernet Franc grapes come from our Diamondback vineyard on the Black Sage Bench which has free draining sandy soil, giving our Cabernet Franc plenty of power, structure and intensity. A very high-quality vintage with no disease or pest pressure. We did moderate leaf thinning and green harvesting to ensure only the highest quality fruit made it into the winery.

VINIFICATION: Machine harvested fruit arrived at the winery early in the day to ensure it is received at a cool temperature. The wines were allowed to ferment naturally, then tasted daily and the extraction increased or decreased as needed. The wine stayed on skins for about 30 days before pressing and fractioning and then barreled down to French oak (30% new) and undergoing malolactic fermentation naturally before being topped in the spring. After a year of maturation, the blends were selected with the reserve wine returning to barrel for a further six months. The wine was then bottle aged for another year prior to release.

TASTING NOTES: Dark and dense in appearance. Nose is sweet with vanilla, black cherries, savoury spices and black licorice. Still very youthful at almost three years of age, this will need time to settle in. The palate is intense with dark chocolate, plum jam, dried figs, a burst of red currant and mouthwatering tannins.

Cases made: 784

Cellaring potential: 10+ years

Suggested retail: \$31.99 CDN

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