

2019 Texas High Plains Cabernet Franc

82% Cabernet Franc, 9% Petit Verdot, 6% Cabernet Franc, 3% Merlot

This wine was a secret gem we've been storing for four years now. Originally, this wine was 100% Cabernet Franc from Lahey Vineyards, but over the years and many rounds of topping, it has morphed into this beautiful blend. The nose welcomes notes of herbaceous pepper, dried raspberry and dried thyme complimented by the rich palette that will leave you wanting another sip.

Pairings:

- Roasted lamb
- Venison chili
- Fontina

Vintage:

Following on the heels of two outstanding years, the 2019 season had shaped up to be another incredible vintage. Early in the growing season, there was a moderate amount of rain, followed by the next few months being warm and dry, typical weather patterns that we see in Texas. Towards the end of August, drastic heat waves struck the area, stunting grape development and stalling harvest for a few weeks. Through the later part of September, weather conditions became more sporadic, eventually leading to the hard freeze plaguing the High Plains at the end of October. Many vineyards had significant damage, with some even having to rip out their vines and re-plant. The wines from this vintage are ripe, mature, and deeply expressive.

Vineyards:

Most of this wine is made from Lahey Vineyards in Brownfield, TX. The remaining components of this wine come from Reddy Vineyards in Brownfield, TX.

Technical Details:

Aged for 48 months in 35% American oak, 84% Neutral oak

Bottled March 28th, 2024; 589 cases produced.

14.5% ABV