

2015 ARCH TERRACE CABERNET FRANC

100% Cabernet Franc

NOTES

"Aromas of boysenberry, plum and blackberry with notes of rose petal, toffee, graphite and violet waif out of the glass. On the palate red fruits lead into a ripe blackberry, black current and dark plum core with hints of lavender, spice, ancho pepper and toffee. A lively acid profile elevates the fruit flavors and the finely integrated tannin structure creates long smooth finish."

Keith Pilgrim
Owner/Winemaker



VINFYARD

Terra Blanca Estate Vineyard, Red Mountain Salmon Safe Certified

GROWING CONDITIONS

Our 23rd harvest at Terra Blanca! We broke the record for total heat units during the growing season we set in 2014 with the warmest growing season ever recorded on Red Mountain in 2015. Our harvest began two to three weeks early in the middle of August almost all of the estate was picked by the third week of September. At this point, almost all of the wines will be in barrels by the middle of October, 4 to 6 weeks ahead of schedule.

The quality of the vintage overall is amazing with huge concentrated flavors from a moderate sized crop of tiny berries. As we begin the second week of October, the warm extended fall is continuing with warm days and mostly relatively warm evenings for this late in the year. While we are very pleased with all of the varieties this vintage, the Cabernet Sauvignon, Petit Verdot, Rhone whites and Italian varietals stand out as really exceptional.

HARVEST

Average Brix at Harvest - 25.5° Brix Average pH - 3.70 Average Titratable Acidity - 0.500g/100ml

WINEMAKING

Fermentation in both open and closed tanks with a variety of yeast types and some multiple yeast fermentations helps to create wines with huge fruit flavors and fine well integrated tannins. Aged for up to 28 months in French oak barrels (35% new) prior to blending and bottling.

BOTTLE

Alcohol by Volume - 13.5% pH - 3.79 Titratable Acidity - 0.593g/100ml Production - 810 cases