

# Cabernet Franc 2023



2023  
CABERNET FRANC  
Texas High Plains

## WINEMAKER NOTES

Cabernet Franc (kab-er-nay frah~n) originates in the Loire region of France but is best known as a blending grape for Bordeaux style reds. It tends to have similar flavors to Cabernet Sauvignon but is lighter in intensity and color. DNA testing has proven Cabernet Franc to be a parent grape of Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, and Carménère.

## TASTING NOTES

This vibrant Cabernet Franc has a bright berry hue. Aromas of spices, fresh raspberry, with a hint of slate and blueberries. On the palate, rhubarb mingles with strawberries and cranberries. Bright flavors morph on the finish into light tannins and green tea leaves.

## TECHNICAL NOTES

### Varietals & Vineyards:

85% Cabernet Franc from Reddy Vineyards, Brownfield, TX  
5% Cabernet Sauvignon from Bingham Family Vineyards, Meadow, TX  
5% Cabernet Sauvignon from Triple D Vineyards, Tokio, TX  
5% 2022 Cabernet Sauvignon from Lahey Vineyards, Brownfield, TX

### Harvest Date:

September 2023  
Average Brix: 25

### Aging:

9 months in oak, 11% new French oak  
Bottled May 23, 2024

### Food Pairing:

Sweet and sour meatballs, balsamic vinegar marinated brussel sprouts, calamari with garlic aioli sauce, salmon nigiri, pork tenderloin with scalloped potatoes, black forest cake with chantilly cream.

