

2014 SHADYBROOK ESTATE "V" Red Blend

268 Cases Produced 36% Cab Franc | 30% Cabernet Sauvignon | 24% Merlot | 7% Petit Verdot | 3% Malbec Alcohol by volume: 15.3%

This red blend from the Shadybrook Estate vineyard is the first to include all five of the major Bordeaux varieties. The composition leans towards Cab Franc and Cabernet, but all the components bring substance to the finished wine.

There are inviting aromas of cassis, toffee, fresh blackberries, tea leaves, and dusty currants. The middle flavors are lively and crisp with a mix of both red and black fruits. Raspberry, cherry, and boysenberry lead the charge. These combined with complex subtleties of cedar, tarragon, licorice, and chocolate make for a very exciting mouthful. The fruity acid is integrated nicely into the medium-full body of tannin structure which lingers on and on leaving a juicy and refreshing finish.

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