



MERITAGE 2013

While the literal definition of TIME may be elusive, it is an observed phenomenon which allows us to honour key moments in our shared journey through life. With 50 vintages of experience in the South Okanagan, the winemaking team knows that our unique terroir can offer the right wine to celebrate any occasion. Enjoy this TIME Meritage together.

THE VINEYARD

The components for the 2013 Meritage were sourced from a premium vineyard south of the town of Oliver, BC. which features stone-free, sandy material that drains rapidly and is well-suited to irrigated grape production.

These grapes were grown in the sandy loam soil of this vineyard on the Black Sage Bench in Oliver, where the vines enjoyed hot days and cool nights.

Careful viticulture practices included cluster-thinning and leaf removal, ensuring luscious ripe fruit with well-balanced acidity. The Merlot and Cabernet Sauvignon were hand harvested on October 17th and 28th, respectively. The Cabernet Franc, which takes longer to achieve full ripeness, was harvested on November 4, 2013.

WINEMAKING

This traditional blend of 50% Merlot, 30% Cabernet Sauvignon and 20% Cabernet Franc clearly proves that the total of this wine is greater than the sum of its parts. It will continue to develop and age beautifully in the bottle until 2021.

TASTING NOTES

Classic aromas circle in the glass: honeydew melon, pear, and a hint of tangerine. Taste hints of apricot and mango, swirled with ripe gooseberry. This wine is mellowed by barrel aging, resulting in a sturdy and vibrant finish with delicate traces of oak.

VARIETALS	ALC/VOL	PH	TA	RS	SKU	CASES
Blend	14.2%	3.84	5.35	0.45	52605	650