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2023 Blanc de Franc

The Vintage

2023 was the coolest vintage since 2011. The winter saw two dramatic rain events providing us with over 200% of our typical annual rainfall. Due to the drought in the previous three years, there was a continuous decrease in yield. The rain allowed the vines to regenerate and resulted in higher fruit production. The cool climate meant that the vines came out of dormancy late, delaying the ripening process. Finally, in October, weather warmed up, rain halted, and fruit ripened ideally.

The Vineyard

Located in the Geneseo District, Bloch Vineyard is planted in a northwest/southeast exposure and thanks to the uplift from the Huerhuero and La Panza Fault, is at 1080 ft. elevation. Geneseo is a warm region that benefits from the cooling influences of the Templeton Gap effect which can bring about a diurnal shift of 25 degrees Fahrenheit. The one-acre site is planted to Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc and Merlot. The Calcium-rich soils have water-retention properties that are ideal for growing grapevines.

The Winemaking Process

Blend: 100% Cabernet Franc
pH: 3.6
Brix: 25.4
Alcohol: 13.8%
Bottled: February 1st, 2024

The fruit saw ten minutes of skin contact. (The time it took to get from vineyard to winery.) After an extremely gentle press and fractioning of the resulting juice, the wine aged in stainless steel.

Tasting Notes

On the nose, you will be transcended to an orchard where you picked a fresh peach from the tree. On the palate, the fresh peach is paired with nectarine. Enjoy this wine chilled.

