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2022 Metz Vineyard Reserve Cabernet Franc

The Vintage

The 2022 vintage began with ideal weather, but a triple-digit heat wave in summer pushed ripening ahead of schedule. When the heat finally broke on September 10th, it brought much-needed relief, yet posed tough harvest decisions. While high temperatures led to elevated sugars, phenolic ripeness lagged behind, challenging balance in the final wine. Many sleepless nights were spent weighing the risks, ultimately shaping a complex and unique vintage.

The Clone

Sourced from Metz Vineyard and crafted from Clone 1 (French Clone 327) imported from France's Gironde region, is prized for low yields, intense dark fruit, violet and spice aromas, richness, age-worthiness, and a full mouthfeel.

The Winemaking Process

Blend:	100% Cabernet Franc (single clone)	Brix:	26.7
pH:	3.64	Alcohol:	14.4
TA:	6.9g/L	Bottled:	April 25, 2024

Aged in 40% new French oak.

Tasting Notes

Our 2022 Reserve Cabernet Franc captivates with its deep ruby, vibrant color with enticing aromas of black cherry, lavender, tobacco, and milk chocolate. On the palate, flavors of plum and black cherry blend seamlessly with cinnamon, adding complexity. Silky tannins create a smooth, luxurious mouthfeel, making each sip a delightful experience. The wine's harmonious balance of flavors and textures offers a truly pleasurable tasting experience from start to finish.



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