



## Hainle Vineyards - 2012 Hainle Merlot Estate

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This is our first Estate Merlot which includes 5% Cabernet Franc. 2012 was an outstanding grape growing year and our Estate grown Merlot developed past any of our expectations. With this wine we are tried to create a wine taste of France's most famous wine region Bordeaux, Appellation Pomerol, winery Petrus. Merlot is a great wine for Canada. It is early ripening, low on tannins and rich on fruits which makes it a great candidate for new world fruit forward wines which are enjoyed at a early stage of aging. Treat it in oak barrels and you get the nice flavours of vanilla, caramel and campfire which we like so much in Canada. Our wine blend worked out to give our wines that so typical Old World Flavour which can only be achieved by old wine making methods. The wine has been aged in 3 year old French medium toast oak barrels for 24 months before being returned to stainless steel to settle for unfiltered bottling.

Harvest	October 21 2012
Avg.sugar	24.5 brix
Bottling	March 2nd 2015
Cases	200
Alc/Vol	13.9 %
Residual sugar	1.0 g/l
Acid	6.2 g/l
Cellar Potential	20+