



BOXWOOD ESTATE WINERY TOPIARY 2017

Middleburg Virginia AVA

BLEND

Alc/vol: 13%

Cabernet Franc: 54%

Merlot: 32%

Petit Verdot: 14%

100% estate grown fruit

2017 HARVEST AT BOXWOOD

2017 was another good year for growing wine grapes. The harvest of the fruit destined for this wine began with the Petit Verdot on September 29th. Then the Merlot and the Cabernet Franc were picked from October 1st through October 7th. The weather during final ripening and harvest time remained mostly warm and sunny, providing optimal ripeness and acid balance and brought about concentrated and complex fruit flavors.

WINEMAKING

- Hand harvested, triple sorted, destemmed, gravity fed into open-top stainless steel fermenters
- 15% bleed, whole berry fermentation separated by varietal
- Homogenizing Pump overs, 100% manual punch down, with 22-25 day macerations
- Pumped into barrel, free run separated from press wine, malolactic fermentation in barrel
- Aging in French oak barrels for 15 months

TASTING NOTES

Dark cherry folds into strong notes of cedar and white pepper on the nose. The finish has great length, lingering with spice and dark fruits. Full bodied.

910 cases produced

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