2021 BLAUFRÄNKISCH RESERVE

Old Mission Peninsula

We discovered six of our eighteen Blaufränkisch barrels from the 2021 vintage that had enough swagger and personality to justify bottling a Reserve Blaufränkisch blend for the first time since the 2018 vintage.

This wine is from two of our Old Mission Peninsula vineyards: the MacDonald vineyard, our first to grow the grape, and the Keenan family vineyard on their home property overlooking West Grand Traverse Bay.

The wine needed just 12 months in French Oak to reach the stage where we felt we could blend, rack, and bottle. The resulting wine is smooth and mellow, yet with a bit of characteristic spice, black cherry notes, and a long aging window ahead.

THE VINEYARDS

Hawk Ridge of Old Mission

Appellation: Old Mission Peninsula Varieties: Blaufränkisch Acreage: 1.2 Year Planted: 2014 Grown by: John and Laura Keenan

MacDonald Vineyard

Appellation: Old Mission Peninsula Varieties: Pinot Gris, Blaufränkisch Acreage: 1 Year Planted: 2001 Grown by: Bill and Margaret MacDonald





wine specs

RS: 0 g/L PH: 3.62 TA: 7.3 g/L ABV: 12% 140 cases Aged: 12 months in French Oak Aging window: 10 years

distinctions

Dan Berger International Silver