



2018 Leorie Vineyard Merlot Cabernet Franc

Black Star Farms is located on the same 45th Parallel that runs through some of the world's great wine regions. Our unique "lake effect" climate allows us to produce classic varietal wines that truly express our dynamic wine region. Fruit is sourced from both the proprietor's vineyards and those of local grower partners on the Old Mission and Leelanau Peninsulas. This diversity allows us to obtain consistent quality across vintages.

Winemakers Comments

This vineyard continues to astound everyone who either works in it or with the fruit it provides. Year after year, it produces some of the best grapes in the state. Thus, allowing our winemaking team the opportunity to shape some of the best wines made in Michigan. Good things come to those who wait, and we have been patiently waiting, as this vintage has already been in the bottle for over a year. Currently, it is youthful and drinking very well. In another 5-10 years, it will only get better!

Tasting Notes

This Bordeaux-style blend shows a good concentration of dark berry fruit, a coffee-like spiciness, rounded out with a well-integrated oak character.

Thoughts for Food

Enjoy this wine with hearty meals, braised meats such as venison, lamb, beef, or rich pasta and stews. Suggested dishes include beef wellington, pot roast, and rack of lamb.

Blend: 64% Merlot 36%
Cabernet Franc

Appellation: Old Mission
Peninsula

Harvest: 10/18-
10/27/2022

Maturation: 18 months in
100% new French oak

Bottling Data: 0%
residual sugar, 13.6%
alcohol

Cases Produced: 193

