

ASKERNE 2016 RESERVE MERLOT CABERNET FRANC MALBEC

WINEMAKING NOTES

This wine was made from grapes grown on the stony, sandy lower terrace of the vineyard. The varietal mix was 42.8% Merlot, 28.6% Cabernet Franc, 14.3% Cabernet Sauvignon and 14.3% Malbec.

It was destemmed and crushed, then macerated and fermented in tanks. The wine was aged for 18 months in French oak barriques, 50 % new and the balance one year and older.

ANALYSIS

PH 3.63

TA 5.96 g/l

Alcohol 13.5%

TASTING NOTES

Tightly coiled aromas of cassis, plum and bramble with underlying notes of graphite and savoury complexity. The palate shows excellent focus, which delivers both power and richness whilst retaining a degree of elegance through the tannin and acid balance.

AWARDS

5 Stars Raymond Chan

5 Stars Wine Orbit

94 Points Cameron Douglas

4.5 stars Dish Magazine