

VANESSA

VINEYARD

Carved from stone, fuelled by sun, a vineyard like no other

MERITAGE 2013



Gold

Great Northwest Wine
Invitational Competition 2017



94 points

"A blockbuster BC red wine blend..."
Natalie Maclean



93 points

"Simply a gorgeous red wine..."
Rick vanSickle



92 points

"A bold red..."
John Schreiner



91 points

"A plush and well balanced palate..."
Tim Pawsey, Quench Magazine

Terroir and Microclimate

Located high on a hillside overlooking the Similkameen Valley, Vanessa Vineyard's grapes are cultivated on 75 acres of sloping, well-drained, rocky terrain. The vines grow in rows of rocks, absorbing the day heat and imparting that warmth during the cooler nights. Planted in a west to southwest exposure, the rocky vineyard basks in the afternoon sun. Ideally situated, the vineyard benefits from a long growing season, with low yields of intensely ripe fruit. The unique stony site produces fruit with complex flavours and minerality that are truly distinctive.

Winemaking

Crafted from only 100% estate grown and hand-picked fruit. The grapes were destemmed and underwent a gentle crush before small-batch fermentation and hand punch down to maximize flavour and extraction. This vintage is almost entirely comprised of free run juice with only a very small quantity of pressed juice added to balance the tannins.

Flavour Profile

A rich Cabernet-based cuvée, our 2013 Meritage is full-bodied and intense, yet elegant and feminine. A wine with excellent structure and concentrated flavour, this vintage is garnet red in the glass and has gorgeous floral aromas with delicate herbaceous undertones. The ripe, silky tannins are balanced by fresh cherry, dark berry, coffee and licorice flavours. The fruit and oak are particularly well integrated with a smooth, lingering finish. Enjoy as you would any fine, Left Bank Bordeaux style blend.

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Price \$39.99



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