# FORT BERENS

ESTATE WINERY





BC VQA 2019

Production 21,272 cases

Winery retail price: \$27.99 ex tax

#### **CHEMISTRY**

### **AVAILABILITY: RESTRICTED LISTING**

Alc.	12.8%	Winery direct, select fine wine stores,
рН	3.61	grocery stores and restaurants
TA	5.5 g/L	CSPC: 078113

RS 3.1 g/L UPC: 626990121992

#### WINEMAKER'S NOTES

This Meritage is a blend of 88% Merlot, 11% Cabernet Sauvignon, and 1% Cabernet Franc. Each fraction of grapes was fermented separately and then carefully blended after 15 months of barrel maturation in a combination of seasoned French and American oak barrels. Mainly pump overs were used for extraction to create this fresh, fruit-forward wine. It was bottle-aged for an additional 6 months before release.

## **TASTING NOTES**

Savour the aromas of ripe red fruit, spice box, and violets in our classic Merlot-predominant, fruit-forward Meritage. Enjoy this smooth and soft, medium-to-full-bodied wine with a long finish.

Drink now or cellar this wine, as it will continue to evolve with age until 2024. With proper cellaring, this cellar-worthy wine can be aged until 2028.

Pair this food-friendly Meritage with beef short ribs, Beef Wellington, steak, or vegetarian ratatouille.



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