

UPPER BENCH

WINERY & CREAMERY



2013 FOUR SHADOWS MERLOT

\$26.50

91 POINTS – Beppi Crosariol of The Globe and Mail

90 POINTS – Anthony Gismondi

Nose:

- Black cherry
- Tobacco
- Chocolate

Palate:

- Dark Plum
- Leather
- Molasses

Vintage Notes:

Yet another wet start to the season, but July and August compensated for it. 2013 turned out to be the hottest summer of the decade, followed by one of the coolest falls we have ever seen. It was a great year for grape growing, giving us fine tannins as well as balanced and concentrated flavours.

This Merlot was handpicked from our neighbour's vineyard, Four Shadows Vineyard, on the 17th and 18th of October, 2013. The grapes were fermented in 700 litre wooden vats and then cellared in 2nd and 3rd use French oak barrels for 18 months.

**CASES 320 | CSPC 687566 | ALC. 14.8% | BRIX 26.4
TONS 3.28/ACRE | pH 3.55 | T.A. 6.5 | R.S. 3.1 | V.A. .71**

AGING: 18 MONTHS IN 2ND & 3RD USE FRENCH OAK

VINEYARD: FOUR SHADOOWS VINEYARD

PICK DATES: OCTOBER 17TH & 18TH 2013

PAIRS WITH: UPPER BENCH KING COLE OR A BIG, BEAUTIFUL ROAST DINNER

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