

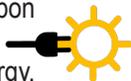
# 2012 Reserve Cabernet Franc

## Finger Lakes

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Scott & Ruth Osborn, Proprietors  
Peter Bell, Winemaker  
John Kaiser, Vineyard Manager

### *The Vineyard*

**Vineyard Sources:** Fox Run Vineyards Block 6 & 8

Block 6 – Established 1995 with alternating layers of clays and sand at an elevation of 470 ft.

Block 8 – Established 1997 with clays and silts with shallow bedrock and glacial till at an elevation of 590 ft.

**Growing Conditions:** 2012 was an ideal year in the Finger Lakes for all varieties. An early start to the growing season advanced vine growth by several weeks, and the hot and dry midsummer conditions allowed for excellent sugar accumulation in the grapes. Moderate rainfall late in the summer helped with the final stages of ripening.

### *Harvest*

**Harvest Date:** October 12 & 16, 2012

**Brix At Harvest:** 22.4° B

### *The Winemaking*

**Varietal Composition:** 100% Cabernet Franc

**Vinification:** Grapes were machine picked at dawn, and were immediately crushed into open-top fermentation vessels. Our favorite yeast strain was added, and fermentation began within 24 hours. At dryness, the grapes were pressed to a stainless steel tank. After several days of settling, the wine was transferred to a mixture of French and American oak barrels. After a year of aging, the winemaker tasted each of 28 barrels, and selected five that showed outstanding flavor and structure. These were blended and given a short period of further aging.

### *The Wine*

**Residual Sugar:** 0%

**pH:** 3.47

**Acidity:** 6.2 g/L

**Alcohol:** 12.9%

**Production:** 110 cases

**Bottling Date:** February 2014

**Released:** June 2014

### *On The Palate*

Aromas of fresh raspberry and raspberry jam are the hallmark of this rich and complex red. Flavors persist in the mouth for a startlingly long time. Tannins are rich but silky.