



# FOX CREEK WINES



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## CUSTODIANS JIM'S SCRIPT

Cabernet Sauvignon Merlot  
Cabernet Franc Petit Verdot

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## VINTAGE 2016

### APPEARANCE

Deep crimson red

### BOUQUET

Lifted fresh mint, ripe plum, cassis, blackberry, raspberry and brambles, over tobacco leaf, cigar box, dried herbs and milk chocolate.

### PALATE

Raspberry, cherry, plum and blackcurrant, overlay coffee, chocolate, roasted nuts and brown spice. Well integrated tannins provide structure across the length of the palate and give the wine a focus that persists long after the wine has left the mouth.

A medium bodied, balanced and multilayered wine that is superb with food.

### BLEND

Cabernet Sauvignon 53%  
Merlot 30%, Cabernet Franc 10%  
Petit Verdot 7%

### ALCOHOL

14.0%

### AGEING POTENTIAL

This wine can be enjoyed on release and will develop complexity with cellaring for up to 10 years.

### WINEMAKING

This blend is a fine example of the synergy that can be achieved when blending individual varietals. The complimentary effects of the fruit laden Merlot with the elegant and silky Cabernet tannins balance the wine, the Cabernet Franc gives it aromatic lift and focussing structure and the Petit Verdot contributes spice and blueberry fruit.

Harvest was completed before the end of March for all varieties. All batches were open fermented and spent 7-10 days on skins before being pressed off. The Cabernet components were fermented in two and three-year-old American and French oak barrels, the Merlot was fermented in two-year-old French oak and the Cabernet Franc and Petit Verdot spent time maturing in older French oak.

### WINEMAKERS

Scott Zrna + Ben Tanzer