

William Chris

VINEYARDS

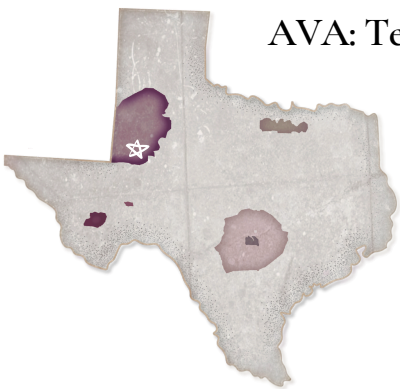
Focused on Texas grown wines made in an Old World style with low-intervention winemaking. Since 2008, founders William "Bill" Blackmon and Chris Brundrett have sourced grapes from Estate vineyards and partners alike, prizing sustainable practices and the expression of Texan terroir.

2024 CABERNET FRANC Friesen Vineyard

One of the parent grapes of Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc is a black grape that showcases the elegance, intricacy, and power this grape can express when grown on the dry, elevated plateau of the High Plains.

VARIETIES: 100% Cabernet Franc

VINEYARD: Friesen Vineyard



AVA: Texas High Plains

COUNTY: Gaines

In 2014 John Friesen had already found his true calling in the Texas High Plains. That year he diversified his family's cotton and peanut farm by planting grapevines. Today, he has 33 acres with 9 varieties from Cabernet Sauvignon to Petit Manseng. John believes in hands-on farming, biodiversity, and sustainability. He calls their vineyard dog, Harley, the "heart of Friesen."

2024 VINTAGE: A mild winter transitioned into steady rainfall into late spring, ensuring proper bud break and fruit set. A cooler summer enabled ripeness without risking metabolic stalling.

TASTING NOTES

The floral side of this grape variety - roses and violet mixes with raspberry and zesty citrus-pepper aromas. The combination is polished and elegant, yet the palate holds the weight expected of the Texas High Plains growing region. Dry, medium-bodied, and cellar-worthy.

FOOD PAIRING



Pair with game bird, hearty grain salads, especially with tomato, and mild white cheddar cheeses.



WINEMAKING: Aged for 6 months in 50% new French oak barrels and 50% neutral barrels, racked, and then aged for another 12 months in 100% neutral barrels.

AGE OF VINES: 10 years

Serve at 59° F | Decant

SOIL TYPE: Sandy clay loam

Drink now to 2034

ELEVATION: 3,000 ft

ABV: 13.9% | pH: 3.77 | TA: 5.40 g/L | RS: 0.72 g/L

CASES PRODUCED: 98



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100% Texas grown wines.