



ROAD 13

2008 HONEST JOHN'S RED



CSPC: 290684
PRICE: \$18.99
PRODUCTION: 2125 Cases
AVAILABILITY: Winery Direct, VQA Stores, and select private retail and restaurant accounts

THE BLEND: 41% Merlot
41% Cabernet Sauvignon
12% Pinot Noir
6% Cinsault

DETAILS:
Alcohol 14.1%
RS 1.7 g/L
pH 3.62
TA 7.0 g/L

Road 13 wines express the special character of the Golden Mile. Our motto, "it's all about the dirt" reflects our belief that great wines start in the vineyard. We respect our vineyards and work hard to farm with integrity.

NOTES ON THE GRAPES AND WINEMAKING:

This was a soft tannin vintage for the Cabernet and Merlot varieties, while the Cinsault and Pinot Noir turned out to be remarkably aromatic. All of these lots were treated to a variety of maceration conditions; hot, cold, long, short. All of them completed malolactic fermentation in barrels and were aged in these barrels - with two rackings along the way - for 8 months.

TASTING NOTES:

Pinot Noir with Merlot and Cabernet Sauvignon? – AN ATROCITY! Except for the pragmatist tasting the alternatives! Blended with the Cinsault, these individuals gave us a blend with unbelievable fresh raspberry fruit character, with layers of other berries in the background. The tannins and the acidity are soft. This is not a wine to age for more than a couple of years but in those couple of years it will be remarkably easy to swallow.