



## **Thirty Bench Cabernet Icewine 2006**

VQA BEAMSVILLE BENCH

“Our winery is located in the tiny appellation called the Beamsville Bench. This narrow strip of land near Lake Ontario boasts sloping vineyards and deep, dry soils; a valuable terroir that shapes the exceptional taste of our wine.”

### **WINE MAKING**

- Hand-picked on January 22, 2007 at - 10 to - 12°C from our estate vineyards.
- The frozen grapes were pressed, yielding only one drop of juice per grape.
- Barrel fermented and aged in 5 year old oak barrels for 7 months.
- Final assemblage of 50% Cabernet Sauvignon and 50% Cabernet Franc.

### **FLAVOUR PROFILE**

- A pretty salmon pink colour with enticing aromas of strawberry jam, rhubarb and delicate floral honey.
- A perfectly sweet wine balanced by refreshing acidity on an elegant frame.
- Ripe red berries and clover honey on the palate that leads to tart red berries and mineral notes on the brilliant finish.

### **WINE ANALYSIS**

- Sweetness Level: (17) Dry, 170 g/l
- Alcohol: 11.4%
- Brix: 39°
- Yield: 100 litres per tonne
- Total Acidity: 9.0 g/l
- UPC#: 0-4816201214-1
- PID#: 1052024
- Price: \$90.00 / 375ml
- Limited production: 132 Cases

### **SERVING SUGGESTIONS**

- Serve chilled at 8 to 10°C
- Serve with black olive tapenade; salt cod canapés; dark chocolate dipped strawberries; dark chocolate cakes with red berry coulis; strawberry rhubarb desserts; Saint André and aged Cheddar.
- This wine will continue to develop through 2014.

“We are committed to ‘Small Lot’ winemaking. Our grapes are hand picked and hand sorted from vineyards that produce very low yields with incredible quality. Our wines are always made in small batches, reinforcing our belief that less is more. Each wine made at Thirty Bench is distinctive – a unique expression of our vineyard and our Small Lot approach to winemaking.”

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