

Lake William 2005

William Jarvis made the mistake of his life in 1993 during midnight pump-overs when he accidently pumped a third of a tank of Cabernet Franc into a tank of Cabernet Sauvignon. The experience was devastating, but after the fermentation completed the winemaker, Dimitri Tchelistcheff, said "This new 'Bordeaux blend' turned out 'not that bad." In fact, it kept getting better with age! It was enjoyed so much in the tasting room it became a sold-out product, and this blend has been made every year since. The grapes in the blend come from those vineyards cooled by the breezes off Lake William, hence the name. This wine has gone through extended aging and released when our winemaker felt is was ready for you and your friends to enjoy. Best to consume within ten years from harvest.

The grapes for all Jarvis wines are grown in our own hillside vineyards which were originally planted in 1985. The vineyards are 1,000 feet above Napa Valley four miles east of the city of Napa. The cool mountain growing region affords moderate temperatures for optimum ripening of the grapes.

Grapes: 100% Jarvis Estate Harvest: October 3rd, 2005 Varietal Composition: 39% Cabernet Sauvignon, 34% Cabernet Franc,

24% Merlot, 3% Petit Verdot

Barrel Aging:

23 months

100% New French Haute Futaie Oak

Cave Fermentation:

61° F



Unfined & unfiltered Malolactic Fermentation: 100% Technical Data: Alcohol - 14.8% Total Acid - 5.1 g/liter

Fining & Filtration:

pH - 3.69

Production:

467 cases

* Beverage Testing Institute, Chicago, IL. A prestigious institute independent of the wine industry that does completely blind tastings.