



PIER AVENUE

2012 Pier Avenue Cabernet Sauvignon

True to the traditional French winemaking philosophy of letting the terroir speak for itself, this Bordeaux blend brings out some of the best characteristics of the Happy Canyon AVA. Well balanced with 75% Cabernet Sauvignon, 15% Merlot, and 10% Cabernet Franc, the Pier Avenue dances along the fine line between fruit and tannin. Extended barrel aging has helped to mellow the fruit and soften the tannins. The additions of Merlot and Cabernet Franc help provide structure, while at the same time softening the palate and providing a fuller, rounder flavor.

The result of this effort is bright and bold, with wonderful dusty tannins intermingled with peppery spice and cassis on the nose. Deep black fruits intermingled with leather, tobacco and anise greet you on the palate, coupled with moderate spice and driving tannins. With a balanced and supple finish that will just continue to evolve; this is a prime example of the quality Bordeaux wines that Happy Canyon can produce with a little patience and care. Although this wine has plenty of potential for cellaring, there should be no qualms about enjoying a bottle now.

Jeff, Kathy and Gerry hand-picked the wines to blend, working closely with winemaking staff at Happy Canyon Vineyards to ensure a top quality wine. The passion of the owners is apparent in the Pier Avenue brand of wines. Made exclusively for Uncorked in Hermosa Beach, we are pleased to share Pier Avenue with you and with our community. Enjoy!