



A Reserve level Proprietary Red Blend of sophisticated Trentino indigenous grapes, such as Lagrein and Teroldego, located on and around the steeply terraced granite faced slopes, and ledges of the Dolomite Mountains. Crisp air, cool Adige River influenced microclimate and melting Glaciers provide these grapes with depth and structured elegance.

#### **PRODUCTION AREA**

70% Teroldego 30% Lagrein

#### **VINIFICATION**

Hand harvested to ensure optimum ripeness, only the best quality grapes are delivered to the winery. After the separation of the stems and the grapes' skins, the maceration starts, with frequent pumping over of the must. The fermentation happens at controlled temperature of 25°C (77°F) for about 12 – 13 days. The wine ages for 24 months, 12 of which in oak barrels (Allier and Tronçais) and finally refined in the bottle.

#### **CHARACTERISTICS**

Color: intense and deep ruby-garnet very deep and impenetrable.  
Bouquet: intense and complex with a perfect balance of red fruits and spicy notes.  
Flavor: displays ripe red and black fruits of cherries and blueberry with an uncommon juiciness and balance. Notes of toasty oak, vanilla and spiciness add complexity.

#### **ALCOHOL CONTENT**

13%

#### **PAIRINGS**

This wine is as close as any vintner can come to expressing an ideal profile of grapes used in blend. For the generosity of fruit and body it pairs well with seasoned cheese, red meat and game.

#### **SERVING TEMPERATURE**

61-64°F

## **RATINGS**

CLIFFHANGER Red 12 - 90 pts - Ultimate Wine Challenge - 2014

CLIFFHANGER RED 12 - Best Buy - Wine & Spirits - 2014

CLIFFHANGER VINEYARDS Proprietary Red 13 - 90 pts - Ultimate Wine Challenge - 2015

CLIFFHANGER Proprietary Red Blend 14 - 91 pts - Ultimate Wine Challenge - 2016

CLIFFHANGER Proprietary Red Blend 14 - 86 pts - Wine Spectator - 2016