

# Bowers Harbor Vineyards Old Mission Peninsula, Michigan

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## **Appletage**

## The Wine

Our Appletage brings together two wonderful concepts in one bottle. First, our heritage on Old Mission Peninsula is one of orchards, long before the first vineyards were planted. Cherry and apple orchards have played a role in the life and economy of Old Mission Peninsula for over 150 years, with the patchwork of rolling orchards and vineyards creating the beautiful rural landscape enjoyed by locals and visitors alike. In addition, our Appletage is composed of multiple varietals of apples, drawing on the distinct flavor profiles of each to create a balanced blend, similar to a meritage. Enjoy with friends on a crisp fall evening, or curl up in a cozy chair next to a crackling fire to sip at your leisure.

## The Apples

Appletage is produced from a combination of Jonathan, Gala, Rome and Cortland apples. Jonathans are mildly sweet with a tart tang and a subtle hint of spice; Galas have a soft sweetness and a floral aroma; Romes are predominantly tart with a light sweet note; and Cortlands have a sharp, sweet-tart flavor profile. Pressed and carefully filtered, this blend provides the perfect balance of alluring sweetness and a poignant tart counterpoint. Careful aging in French Oak barrels brings out subtle notes of caramel and almond

Our Appletage is a fortified wine. We begin by producing an apple a small portion of the original wine to create an about 18%.

## TECHNICAL DATA

Varietal: Jonathan, Gala, Rome, Cortland Vintage: Non-vintage Appellation: Michigan

Case Production: 75 pH/Residual Sugar: 6% ABV: 18%

## TASTING NOTES

Aromas of apple pie, caramel and sweet almond segue seamlessly from your nose to your palate!

## How to taste:

Look at the appearance:











2 Identify aromas and flavors







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What to Pair It With! Warm baked apple tart or crisp; strong bleu cheese.

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