

-GUARDIANS-

For 8000 Years



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Saperavi Reserve REGION: Georgia / Kakheti

Georgia, the country not the state, gave birth to wine over 8,000 years ago and has guarded it ever since. Against all odds, Georgian men and women have made and enjoyed wine every year for the last 8 millennia. Our wine celebrates these guardians of wine, their spirit and the undeniable living tradition they created.

For our Reserve we source our Saperavi grapes from a specific Protected District called Mukuzani, which has alluvial and clay soils. We press and complete fermentation and maceration in stainless steel tanks and then transfer the wine to french oak barrels (mostly second use) for nine months. The result is a wine with spicier/earthier mid-pallet and refined tannin.

TASTING NOTES

Deep violet colored with aromas fresh red and black fruit. Flavors of blackberry, cranberry and cherry are followed by spice notes and a hint of oak, finishing with balanced but firm tannin. Great with food. Pair with lamb, steaks or beef braises.

POINTS OF DISTINCTION

- **Indigenous Georgian Varietal (pronounced saw-pear-ah-vee)**
- **Blueberry, Blackberry, Cherry, Hint of Oak**
- **Special Reserve with nine-months of oak barrel aging**

ABOUT THE LABEL

On the crossroads of Europe and Asia Georgia has guarded its freedom and that of its allies countless times. The same is true today of our nation of just 4 million people. Georgia is currently the largest per capita non-member contributor to NATO. We donate a percentage of our sales to organizations that support our wounded warriors and their families every year.

TEMO "GEORGIAN 300"

Our Saperavi Reserve label honors Prince Temo who was part of Georgia's 300. In 1795 the capital of Georgia was sacked by an invading Persian army. 300 Georgian mountain soldiers pledged to fight to the death to allow the last King of Georgia and Prince Temo to escape. Temo after his escape became a historian and immortalized the sacrifice of the 300 in history, which eventually led to their canonization as saints.

