

2019

## Becker Cuvée

55% CABERNET FRANC 28% MERLOT 9% CARMÉNÈRE  
7% SYRAH 1% CABERNET SAUVIGNON

It has now been over 25 years since Becker Vineyard was replanted to Cabernet family varieties, proving that late ripening red varieties could thrive in the South Okanagan. First planted in 1977 as part of the pioneering Becker Project, Becker Vineyard produces finessed, elegant wines from the upper terrace of the Black Sage Bench. Our 2019 Becker Cuvée is an opulent, structured and well-balanced wine, that showcases the Becker Vineyard at its finest. Notes of mint, chocolate, plums and wild berry bramble with chalky tannins and nutmeg, dry brush and black pepper on the finish. This generous wine will age with refinement.

ESTABLISHED  
1993

ACRES  
51.8

SOIL  
Osoyoos Sandy Loam

ELEVATION  
325-380m

### Vintage

A cooler April in 2019 was quickly followed by warm conditions in May and June resulting in perfectly timed bud break in the vineyards. Summer brought more warmth to the valley but temperatures were average and this allowed the vines to fully develop. Harvest started with warm and dry conditions and the early ripening varieties were harvested on schedule. However, by the end of September, a slight change in weather conditions brought cooler temperatures and small amounts of rainfall to the valley. This stalled things for a while until October showed up with its typical long, dry and sunny days allowing for flavour development and acidity retention in our grapes. Harvest 2019 was challenging and required extremely precise vineyard management, however the result of all that hard work is well balanced wines with vibrant fruit characters and freshness.

HARVEST DATE  
Oct. 12-16

MATURATION  
19 mos French Oak  
50% new

BOTTLING DATE  
July 2021

RESIDUAL SUGAR  
0.19 g/L

ALCOHOL  
14.7%

TOTAL ACIDITY  
6 g/L

pH  
3.8

