

2018

## Block 1B Carménère

SMALL LOT

100% CARMÉNÈRE

Our Small Lot series is dedicated to limited production wines that we could not help but bottle on their own. Carménère thrives in our Becker vineyard on the Black Sage bench. This is a late ripening varietal that benefits from hot and dry summers and cooler nights. The long sunny days in the South Okanagan and the westerly aspect of Becker vineyard provide the perfect environment for Carménère to prosper. This wine showcases classic notes of white pepper, spice, tobacco and dark chocolate permeate the palate with a core of lifted red cherries, dark plums and finishing with balanced well integrated tannins.

ESTABLISHED

1993

ACRES

52.4

SOIL

Osoyoos Sandy Loam

ELEVATION

325-380m

### The Vintage

A cool start to spring resulted in a slightly later than average bud break. However ideal flowering conditions were possible thanks to warmer temperatures and dry conditions in late spring. Summer was warm allowing for continued fruit development. And the classic long, dry and sunny fall conditions in October really helped with increased flavour development and acidity retention. Harvest 2018 was longer than usual due to the unique conditions experienced during the growing season, nevertheless a promising one.

VINTAGE

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HARVEST DATE

October 29, 2018

FERMENTATION

Barrel fermented

MATURATION

20 months French Oak

BOTTLING DATE

October 2020

RESIDUAL SUGAR

0.19 g/L

ALCOHOL

14.5%

TOTAL ACIDITY

5.2 g/L

pH

3.68

