



2019 Cuvée  
KOBAN VINEYARD

69% CABERNET FRANC, 27% MERLOT, 4% SYRAH

The 2019 Cuvée from our famed Koban Vineyard is dominated by Cabernet Franc. On the nose, sweet notes of black plum, espresso, and cocoa are apparent along with a hint of earth and kalamata olive. An intriguing herbal lift, provided by the Cabernet Franc in this blend, creates complexity and refinement. This wine is expressive on the palate, with concentrated ripe black and blue fruit flavours perfectly balanced with dark chocolate and toasty notes. The mouthfeel is rich and smooth, leading to a long finish. Well-structured tannins and fresh acidity, this is a perfect expression of what Cabernet Franc from the Golden Mile Bench can achieve.

### Koban Vineyard

The southerly aspect of the Koban Vineyard on the Golden Mile Bench allow the vines to bask in the early morning sun. On gravelly soils, wines from this vineyard are known for being mineral-driven, well structured, with a balanced ripeness and fresh acidity.

ESTABLISHED  
2005

ACRES  
44.3

SOIL  
Sand and gravel

ELEVATION  
330-390m

### The 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 and temperatures remained average allowing the vines to fully develop without risk of shutting down. Harvest started with warm, dry conditions and this continued throughout until completion. The result was well balanced wines with vibrant fruit characters and freshness.

VINTAGE  
2019

HARVEST DATE  
October 19-21

MATURATION  
36% New Oak, 20 mos.

BOTTLING DATE  
August, 2021

RESIDUAL SUGAR  
0.1 g/L

ALCOHOL  
14.7%

TOTAL ACIDITY  
5.7 g/L

pH  
3.8