PHANTOM CREEK

2020

Estate

Rosé

40% MERLOT, 30% CABERNET FRANC, 15% Syrah, 10% Malbec, 5% cabernet Sauvignon

Our Estate Rosé combines the savoury, dried herbs of Cabernet Franc and the generous juicy fruit of Merlot, with textural depth from aging in foudres. This intentional approach makes for a rosé of remarkable complexity and vibrancy.

Awards

92 points - Sara d'Amato, WineAlign 92 points - John Szabo MS, WineAlign 90 points - David Lawrason, WineAlign 90 points - Michael Godel, WineAlign

Estate Vineyards

The Estate Rosé comes mainly from two of our Estate vineyards: Becker vineyard on the Black Sage Bench and Kobau vineyard on the Golden Mile Bench. Becker Vineyard produces finessed, elegant wines from the upper terrace of the Black Sage Bench while the southerly aspect of the Kobau vineyard allows 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 balanced ripeness and fresh acidity.

The Vintage

The 2020 growing season was slow to start, with slightly higher than average rainfall and mild temperatures throughout the spring. Hot and dry conditions, typical of the South Okanagan climate, prevailed from late Spring until harvest and were ideal for berry flavour and tannin development. Fortunately most of our harvest was completed but a sudden cold snap set in towards mid October, ending harvest quite abruptly for the region. 2020 was a smaller than average harvest due to small berry size. Smaller berries result in more concentrated fruit flavours. The wines are exhibiting stunning quality of fruit that truly benefited from an outstanding and extended summer and we have a very favourable impression of what is to come in the bottle.

VINTAGE

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HARVEST DATE September 17-October 21 FERMENTATION Indigenous yeasts MATURATION 5 months. 60% in Stockinger foudres, 40% in French oak BOTTLING DATE April, 2021 RESIDUAL SUGAR 9.4 g/L ALCOHOL I3.2% TOTAL ACIDITY 4.5 g/L pH 3.6

