

BORDERTOWN

VINEYARDS & ESTATE WINERY



MERLOT 2018

Merlot is a staple of the South Okanagan, and from our estate vineyards comes this version, which offers up a plethora of aromas and flavours that will surprise and amaze. It balances ripe red fruits, black raspberry and rhubarb with pepper, herbs and spices, stewed plums and a tiny hint of mint, all within an integrated oak structure. It has medium body and wonderfully supple tannins.

BC VQA CERTIFIED

- Grapes:** 100% estate grown
 - Vineyard Location:** Osoyoos, British Columbia
 - Exposure:** East
 - Varietals:** Merlot 100%
 - Grape Yield:** 5.5 Tons/Acre
 - Soil Composition:** Gravel w/ light colour sand and heavy soil
 - Date of Harvest:** October 30, 2018
 - Brix Level:** 25.5
 - Fermentation:** Cultured Yeast
 - Duration:** 24-28 days
 - Temperature:** Allowed to rise to a maximum of 30°C
 - Malolactic Fermentation:** Natural, French Oak
 - Alcohol:** 14.0%
 - Residual Sugar:** 1.9 g/l
 - Maturation:** 12-18 months, in French Oak
 - Filtration:** Yes
 - Fining:** In the bottle (minimum 6 months)
 - Production:** 999 cases
 - Aging:** Cellar for up to 8 years
 - Colour:** Dark red
 - Nose:** Ripe red fruits, black raspberry and rhubarb
 - Flavour:** Herbs and spices, black fruits, stewed plums and hints of mint and pepper
- Serving Temperature:** 18°C
- Serving Suggestions:** Italian sausage, spaghetti with meatballs, burgers and braised short ribs
- Awards/Accolades/Ratings:** **Silver Medal** - National Wine Align Awards 2022
John Schreiner - 91 Points
“This wine begins with aromas of cassis, blueberry and cherry. These are echoed in the sweet fruit flavours on the palate, along with an intriguing hint of tobacco. The silky tannins lead to a long finish.”

