

BORDERTOWN

VINEYARDS & ESTATE WINERY



MALBEC RESERVE 2020

Malbec may have origins in France as a blending grape but the New World wine regions have embraced it as a single varietal red whose expressive flavours have made it popular. Bordertown's own Malbec vines produced a wine of outstanding character in the 2020 vintage, which was chosen to be a rare Reserve release. With intense blackberry and raspberry flavours layered over a structure of well integrated tannins, this is a majestic Malbec that finishes with fabulous length and smooth intensity.

BC VQA CERTIFIED

- Grapes:** 100% estate grown
- Vineyard Location:** East Bench Osoyoos, British Columbia
- Exposure:** West
- Varietals:** Malbec 100%
- Grape Yield:** 2.3 Tons/Acre
- Soil Composition:** Sandy soil
- Date of Harvest:** November 14, 2020
- Brix Level:** 25.0
- Fermentation:** Cultured yeast
- Duration:** 24-28 days
- Temperature:** Allowed to rise to a maximum of 30°C
- Malolactic Fermentation:** Natural, French oak
- Alcohol:** 13.6%
- Residual Sugar:** 1.70 g/l
- Maturation:** 12-18 months, in French oak
- Filtration:** Yes
- Production:** 120 cases
- Aging:** Cellar for up to 8 years
- Colour:** Dark red
- Nose:** Blackcurrant and raspberry
- Flavour:** Dark fruits including blueberry and blackberry, mulled spices
- Serving Temperature:** 18°C
- Serving Suggestions:** Lamb, burgers, steak, blue cheese, meaty pasta dishes, creamy mushroom sauces.
- Awards/Accolades/Ratings:**
 - Gold Medal** - Pacific Rim Wine Competition 2024
 - Silver Medal** - Los Angeles International Wine Competition 2024
 - Silver Medal** - National Wine Align Awards 2023
 - John Schreiner – 93 Points**

"The dark colour sets the consumer up to expect a concentrated wine. This does not disappoint. The wine begins with aromas of blackberry and plum. There is a medley of intense dark red fruits on the palate, dark cherry, blackberry and plum. The finish is so long that one needs a stopwatch. Decant this wine for early consumption or cellar it at least five years."

