

BORDERTOWN

VINEYARDS & ESTATE WINERY



MERLOT 2021

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 Tons/Acre
- Soil Composition:** Gravel w/ light colour sand and heavy soil
- Date of Harvest:** September 30, 2021
- Brix Level:** 26.0
- Fermentation:** Cultured Yeast
- Duration:** 24-28 days
- Temperature:** Allowed to rise to a maximum of 30°C
- Malolactic Fermentation:** Natural, French Oak
- Alcohol:** 15.1%
- Residual Sugar:** 2.34 g/l
- Maturation:** 12-18 months, in French Oak
- Filtration:** Yes
- Fining:** In the bottle (minimum 6 months)
- Production:** 421 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** – Pacific Rim Wine Competition 2025

John Schreiner – 92 Points

“The estate-grown fruit is from Bordertown’s Osoyoos vineyards. This is a big, ripe wine that was aged 12-18 months in French oak. It begins with aromas of cassis, blueberry and dark cherry, which is echoed on the generous palate.”

