

# 2010 MERLOT

BC VQA OKANAGAN VALLEY

# HARVEST REPORT

May and June were cooler and wetter than normal, leaving the vines slightly behind their typical development. Fortunately the classic Okanagan summer provided plenty of heat and sunshine. The real key to the vintage however, was the great weather in the latter half of September and into October which allowed for well balanced fruit with some outstanding flavours.

### WINEMAKING

The fruit was sourced from various vineyards on Osoyoos Indian Band land. It was fermented in stainless steel and aged in a combination of 80% French and 20% American oak barrels for 18 months prior to blending and bottling. A good everyday wine that also has the ability to age.

# **TASTING NOTES**

Our 2010 Merlot weaves intricate flavours of plum, cassis and fresh tobacco that layer harmoniously with subtle clove and cocoa, leading into a concentrated toasty finish.



# TECHNICAL NOTES

**Release Date** Oct 2012 Alcohol/Volume 14.5% Ageability (Serve until) Enjoy now **Dryness** through 2016 pH Level 3.65 **Serving Temperature** 16° C **Residual Sugar** 0.8 g/L **Oak Aging** yes **Total Acidity** 6.4 g/L

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