



COLLECTOR SERIES

2018 RICHARD'S BLOCK PINOT NOIR

STORY.....

Our father Richard Stewart was instrumental in bringing Pinot Noir to the Okanagan Valley in 1975; today it is the most widely planted red varietal at Quails' Gate. Our Pinot Noirs are broadly acclaimed for their quality and unique sense of place, regularly receiving local, national and international accolades.

Richard's Block is named for our father and represents a special offering within our portfolio of award-winning Pinot Noirs. With only 14 barrels made, it is a beautifully crafted wine with great complexity and the ability to age particularly well.

WINEMAKING.....

This 100% Pinot Noir is sourced from some of the most established blocks at our Estate (Fields 3 and 4) as well as Mannhardt and Sunnyside vineyards. These blocks include some vines that are over 30 years old, and a number of clones (777, 115, 155, 828). After being hand-harvested, the grapes spent 16 days on skins. Each clone was vinified separately in stainless steel and then aged for 13 months in 62% new French oak, achieving full malolactic fermentation.

TASTING NOTES.....

This sophisticated wine demonstrates promise and restraint. Nuanced layers of rose, raspberry, red currant and black cherry with integrated oak and elements of graphite, clove and white pepper, tea leaf and sarsaparilla. This wine is medium-bodied with elegant weight and texture. Well-balanced, with good structure, wonderful mouthfeel and a long lingering red berry and sarsaparilla finish.

PERFECT PAIRINGS.....

Pair alongside duck, venison, grilled BC salmon and dishes that include earthy vegetables such as beets or wild mushrooms.

TECHNICAL NOTES

Alc. by volume: 14.0%
Total acidity: 5.1 g/l
Residual sugar: 0.365 g/l
pH: 3.79
SKU code: 613539
UPC code: 778856418200
Date bottled: December 2019

CELLARING NOTES: Enjoy now and through 2028.

