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RICHARD'S BLOCK PINOT NOIR | 2021

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.

2021 VINTAGE

Our 2021 growing season was brimming with both challenge and reward. An already hot and dry summer was punctuated by an unprecedented heat dome that settled into the Valley from the end of June through early July. While this climatic occurrence led to a slight dip in expected yields for certain grape varieties, it unveiled a dual-sided tale of triumph. Remarkably diminished disease pressure, high-quality fruit, and a concentration of flavour, resulting in wines of unique character and distinction.

WINEMAKING

Featuring clones 777, 115 and 828, this 100% Pinot Noir was hand-harvested from some of the most established blocks at our Estate. Grapes were cold soaked for five days followed by 16 days of fermentation. Aged for 16 months in a mixture of 34% new and 66% neutral French oak.

ALCOHOL	ACIDITY	pH	RESIDUAL SUGAR
14%	5.5 g/L	3.7	0.6 g/L

TASTING NOTES

Opulent and captivating. A beautifully crafted expression of Pinot Noir with enticing aromas of chocolate-covered cherries, orange rind and Okanagan sage. On the palate, flavours of black tea and strawberry leaf evolve into a well-balanced wine framed by soft, velvety tannins.

PERFECT PAIRINGS

This beautiful expression of Pinot Noir is perfect for a light lunch or dinner. The natural, well-balanced nature of this wine makes it a versatile food pairing. Perfect alongside duck, venison or grilled BC salmon served with earthy vegetables such as beets or wild mushrooms.