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## RICHARD'S BLOCK PINOT NOIR | 2022

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.

### 2022 VINTAGE

The 2022 growing season was marked by a series of weather extremes. A record-breaking cold winter and cool spring gave way to a remarkable summer, with warm temperatures extending into early October, boosting ripeness and leading to a harvest that extended well into November – a rarity for the Okanagan Valley. This extended season has resulted in wines with balanced alcohol and crisp acidity, particularly in the early-ripening varieties.

### WINEMAKING

Entirely hand-harvested estate clones (115 and 777). A union of 15% whole cluster and 85% de-stemmed fruit stored in small stainless steel vessels for a 5-day cold soak and 16-day fermentation on skins. Gently nurtured with a mixture of pump-overs and hand punch-downs. Barrell, aged 15 months, in a combination of new and old French oak.

ALCOHOL  
13.5%

ACIDITY  
5.2 g/L

pH  
3.78

RESIDUAL SUGAR  
0.7 g/L

### TASTING NOTES

Expect enticing aromas of fine chocolate-covered cherries with notable notes of orange zest, fallen cedar leaves, subtle sagebrush and star anise on the nose of this exceptionally crafted wine. A velvety palate frames the wine's red fruits of cherry and raspberry that mingle together with lively nutmeg spices. A wine designed as a timeless family tradition, this wine will continue to reward year after year in your cellar. Serve at room temperature or lightly chilled to showcase this wine's depth of character.

### PERFECT PAIRINGS

Enjoy with cranberry short ribs, cranberry brie crostini, and your favourite duck dish.