

MERLOT 2018

There are bright aromas of blackberry, dark cherry and plum along with new leather, dark chocolate and mocha on the palate. The tannins are supple, and the finish is full.

VINEYARD NOTES

The grapes for this Merlot are sustainably grown on our Fleet Road Vineyard – Tightrope Estate. They were selectively hand-picked over 2 days.

WINEMAKER NOTES

The grapes were destemmed into 1/2-ton fermenters, where it was cold soaked for five days, before fermentation was allowed to begin. The grapes were on skins for approximately three weeks before being pressed off and put into barrel. This wine was aged in barrel for 12 months, in French Oak, with a small percentage of American Oak for added complexity.

AWARDS: 2020 National Wine Awards of Canada - Gold



WINE SPECS

VINTAGE	2018
VARIETAL	Merlot 100%
APPELLATION	Naramata Bench
HARVEST DATE	October 13 & 19, 2018
FERMENTATION	Small lot ferment in stainless steel
AGEING	12 months in French Oak, with a small percentage of American Oak for added complexity
BOTTLING DATE	March 10, 2020
CASES PRODUCED	439
BRIX	25.2
RESIDUAL SUGAR	2.6 g/L
ACID	6.9 g/L
pH	3.48
ALCOHOL	13.9 %
CELLARING	Drink now through 2029

