

# **RESERVE CUVÉE PINOT NOIR 2019**

A harmonious blend of Blue Mountain's three key Pinot Noir vineyards, the Reserve Cuvée champions both exceptional fruit quality, and masterful blending. Selecting fruit from vines aged from 26 years and older, the personalities of Blue Mountain converge in the glass to deliver an altogether unique, cellar-worthy Pinot Noir that can only be described as Blue Mountain.

## VINEYARDS

APPELLATION: CLONAL SELECTION: VINE AGE: Okanagan Valley 113, 114, 115, 667 22 - 35 year old vines

# HARVEST

DATE:

BLUE MOUNTAIN

Pinot Noir 2019

Okanagan Valley

September 13 - 14, 2019

#### VITICULTURE

- Manual thinning is practiced in the vineyard to reduce the crop yield and produce a more concentrated and higher quality grape.

## VINIFICATION

- All fruit was hand harvested, de-stemmed and put into open-top fermentation tanks.
- During the 14-18 days maceration period, light pump-overs were practiced, with cautious 'Pigeage' occurring during the peak of fermentation.
- 100% of the vintage was fermented with wild yeast native to the vineyard, in order to better express the terroir of the estate.
- At the end of fermentation, the wine was drained to tank and the remaining pomace was gently pressed.
- The wine was settled for 3-7 days and decanted into new to 4th-fill 228L French oak barrels.
- Malolactic fermentation (the natural process of converting malic acid to CO2 and lactic acid by bacteria) occured naturally in spring 2020.
- Gentle barrel-to-barrel racking was done to allow the wine to age on its fine lees, contributing to layers of richness and complexity.

DATE BOTTLED: BLEND: ALCOHOL: MLF: PRICE: RELEASE DATE: AGING: CSPC: March 2021 100% Pinot Noir 13% 100% \$45.00 September 2021 7 to 8 years 49440