

## TERROIR COLLECTION REED CREEK VINEYARD 2020 NATURAL MERLOT

The uniqueness of site and soil; a depiction of the diverse Okanagan microclimates.

## REED CREEK VINEYARD

This vineyard, originally a fruit orchard, has been farmed organically for more than 40 years with soils that are high in nutrients and quite porous. The west side vineyard location of our Reed Creek Organic Merlot results in a significant amount of morning sun exposure, giving way to the shade by afternoon. This leads to late ripening fruit that is more delicate and intensely flavourful. The hillsides are dotted by dense stands of Ponderosa pine and Douglas fir. The label image reflects the rough and seamless nature of cover crops in the organic vineyard rows, one of our sustainability practices.

## TASTING NOTES

Aromas of ripe cherry, plum and sagebrush with hints of coffee. The balanced palate echoes the aromas alongside soft tannins.

**ESTATE** | Reed Creek Vineyard, Certified Organic

**ELEVATION** | 356m - 385m

**SOILS** | Site is atop an alluvial fan from Reed Creek that

runs through the estate. Rocky, well drained soil high in organic matter and utrients. Organically

farmed for more than 40 years.

**SEASONAL** | The consistently warm weather following the spring **CONDITIONS** was essential for encouraging healthy vine growth.

The dry, warm and hot summer produced good growth permitting excellent balance and incredible

flavor intensity.

CANOPY | All steel trellis to support organic farming;

VSP and cane pruned

MATURATION | Fermented and aged in clay amphora and concrete

**ABV** | 13.5% **TA** | 6.0 g/L **PH** | 3.73



