



2020 MALBEC

Dark blackberries and sage brush jump out of the glass with lingering aromas of dusty blueberries. A deliciously viscous and concentrated palate with silky tannins and a lingering flavour of baked blueberry pie.

VINTAGE

It started out not unusually with slightly delayed bud break due to a cool spring, followed by a mild and wet June leading to exponential growth in the vineyard and a lush canopy. Temperatures and rainfall evened out to averages in July and we were seeing great fruit development. Harvest arrived on time and started with those beautiful golden clusters of Chardonnay on September 28, 2020. Our Winemaker, Gabriel & Winemaking Consultant, Alain both described the vintage as fantastic due to the smaller berry size and particularly low yields leading to ripe, beautifully balanced wines. With bright acidity and ripe fruit, the 2020 vintage will cellar beautifully for years to come.

WINEMAKING

Our estate vineyard has just 1.15 acres of Malbec planted with 2,300 plants. Most of our Malbec is used to create our Red Icon blend. Small lots can only be made in select vintages. In 2020 our Malbec was harvested on October 19. The wine was aged in 30% new oak for 18 months. Unfiltered.

BLEND 100% MALBEC

PRODUCTION 315 CASES

FORMATS 750 ML

ALC % VOLUME 14.5%

PH 3.7 **TA G/L** 6.3 **RS G/L** 2.0

CSPC + 489799

2019 - **Gold Medal**, WineAlign NWAC 2022

2019 - **93 Points**, Michael Godel, WineAlign &
92 Points, John Szabo, WineAlign

2018 - **93 Points**, John Schreiner

2017 - **93 Points** John Schreiner, &
93 Points, Sara d'Amato, WineAlign

2016 - **Gold Medal**, WineAlign NWAC 2019



PAINTED ROCK
ESTATE WINERY