



2018 RED ICON

A standout vintage of this Painted Rock classic. Rich aromas of cassis, bramble fruit and eucalyptus. Full on the palate and elegantly balanced with bright acidity and polished tannins. Lingering dark fruit and nutmeg on the lengthy finish.

VINTAGE

It was an overall cooler vintage with a delayed start due to cool and wet weather. The vineyard caught up by mid-summer, just in time for the smoke to roll in in August and delay things with the blocked sunlight. That said, we are incredibly pleased this was the only impact of the smoke on our vineyard. We intentionally left leaves on all the vines throughout the smoke risk period in case there were soot issues, but due to the fantastic air movement on our site no soot settled on the fruit. Thanks to a lovely fall with lots of sunlight and little rain, the fruit was beautifully ripened on schedule with harvest beginning in October and completed by November 5th.

WINEMAKING

Each vineyard block was individually hand picked and berry sorted. Blocks were then broken into small batches, cold soaked on their skins for four days and fermented for an additional 21 days on their skins in tank with twice daily pump overs. All batches were then barrel aged for 18 months in 30% new French oak. The barrels that were blended to create the Red Icon were chosen first for their specific attributes. The wine was blended prior to bottling, unfiltered.

BLEND 56% MERLOT , 14% CAB FRANC,
11% CAB SAUV, 11% MALBEC & 8% PETIT VERDOT

FORMATS 750 ML, 1.5L MAGNUM, 3L MAGNUM

ALC % VOLUME 14.3%

PH 3.77 **TA G/L** 6.3 **RS G/L** 2.0

CSPC + 468900