

QUAILS' GATE

Okanagan Valley



STEWART FAMILY RESERVE PINOT NOIR

2012

WINE STYLE

This wine is meant to satisfy the most discerning Pinot Noir lover. Made in limited quantities and only in vintages of exceptional quality, it is aged in premium French oak barriques to provide subtle aromas without masking the ripe fruit. This is an elegant wine, with concentrated yet delicate flavours, true to a Burgundian classic food wine. Regarded as a leader in the production of quality Pinot Noir in Canada, the Stewart Family Reserve wines are always cellar worthy.

TASTING & PAIRING

The nose is rich and complex with hints of dark cassis and aged oak mixed with chocolate, plum and floral notes. This elegant wine is fruit-forward with notes of ripe cherry layered with roasted nut flavors. The rich palette is beautifully balanced with a smooth finish that will improve over time. We recommend proper cellaring of 5 to 8 years. Our Stewart Family Reserve Pinot pairs well with baked salmon, duck confit or Coq au vin. For a truly decadent meal, try it with Beef bourgignon.

WINEMAKING

The Stewart Family Reserve Pinot Noir was made from 100% Pinot Noir clones sourced entirely from 10-27 year old vines grown in the Quails' Gate Estate vineyards on the Mount Boucherie bench. Harvested by hand in early October, the fruit was chilled and soaked on the skins for several days before undergoing spontaneous fermentation. After nearly a month on the skins, the wine was gently pressed before barrel ageing for 10 months. Only the very best French oak barrels are chosen for the Stewart Family Reserve Pinot Noir.

TECHNICAL NOTES

Alc. by volume: 14.0 %
Total acidity: 5.8 g/l
Residual sweetness: 1.2 g/l
Sweetness code: 0
SKU code: 639658
UPC code: 778856212204
Date bottled: December 2013
Case volume: 1775 (6/case)