



2016 RED ICON

This wine invites you in with rich aromas of cherry, black currant, violets and baking spices. The palate with its well-balanced, smooth tannins shows further development of the dark fruit with added plum and blueberry notes. Elegantly balanced with a rich texture and smooth tannins.

VINTAGE

The 2016 growing season started out early and similar to 2015 -hot hot hot. Both bud break and flowering were ahead of schedule in the spring with little rainfall, lots of sun and warm temperatures in both April and May. In June things became less consistent with more rain and lower temperatures. This weather continued through July with temperatures continuing to sit below the average for the first half of the month. It was mid-July before 'summer' seemed to kick back in with temperatures sitting around average for the rest of July, August and September.

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 are 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 44% MERLOT, 21% CABERNET FRANC,
16% PETIT VERDOT, 12% CABERNET SAUVIGNON
7% MALBEC

ALC % VOLUME 14.9%

PH 3.8 **TA G/L** 6.5 **RS G/L** 3.8

CSPC + 468900