

ORIGINAL VINES 2020 "PTG"

SIMILKAMEEN VALLEY

The Similkameen Valley is a pristine stretch of vineyards, set amongst the dramatic backdrop of rugged and awe-inspiring mountains. The soils here have been deposited from retreating glaciers, meltwaters, floods and streams along with coarse rocky material that has been broken down from the surrounding mountains. The "organic capital of Canada" is now producing some of the country's most interesting wines.

Average 1,533 growing degree days

LAZY RIVER VINEYARD

Lazy River takes its name from the Similkameen River that winds through the bottom of this vineyard. Located about 10 km from the American border this vineyard is warm enough for producing ripe fruit for the red varieties, while the higher elevation also lends much-needed acidity. The soils here are high in calcium carbonate and derived from schist and granite which seems to give a desirable mineral sensation to the wine.

Harvested on Sept 25, 2019

WINEMAKING

PTG is a long standing practice called "passeoutgrains" which loosely translates to "throw all the grapes in". This field blend of Pinot Noir, Gamay Noir, and Pinot Gris were crushed into tank together where they underwent full Carbonic Maceration (natural fermentation under a blanket of CO₂).

This technique provides a fresh fruity and lighter style red wine. It then spent 6 months in 1 year old French oak puncheons which were used to lend concentration and polish to this truly unique wine.

NOTES

The PTG showcases notes of black and red fruits along with the hallmark spice, tobacco, and mineral/earthy quality that we expect from this vineyard. With a medium body and silky mouthfeel, this wine is best suited to duck, game, or charcuterie. The blend is 48/40/12 Pinot Noir/Gamay/Pinot Gris.

NUMBERS

5.4g/L T.A. | 5.4 g/L R/S | 12.8% Alc.

