



MISSION HILL

Family Estate

2018 RESERVE PINOT BLANC

An Uncompromising Expression of the Okanagan Valley.

VINTAGE REPORT

The 2018 harvest began earlier than anticipated due to above average growing degree days in the spring. Summer arrived with cooler temperatures, encouraging the fruit to develop beautiful acidity and allowing more time for full flavour retention. One of the coolest Septembers on record followed, slowing down the sugar accumulation and allowing the fruit to fully develop phenologically. Harvest concluded on November 8, with the extended season yielding a crop of uniformly ripened fruit with mouthwatering freshness and acidity.

WINEMAKER NOTES

Our 2018 Reserve Pinot Blanc was farmed from two of our stunning vineyards in Osoyoos and Oliver. First planted in 1997, the Osoyoos Vineyard is located on a steep, west facing hillside. Our vineyard on the Black Sage Bench in Oliver is diverse with more than 60 different individual blocks affording us an amazing array of premium quality fruit. The combination of the soil and wonderful sun exposure in these small blocks provide ideal conditions for growing Pinot Blanc.

TASTING NOTES

Fresh Okanagan pear, orchard apple, and a touch of sagebrush complimented by generous textures and a lively acidity on the palate.



VARIETAL | 100% Pinot Blanc

APPELLATION | Okanagan Valley BC VQA

ESTATE | Osoyoos (70%), Oliver (30%)

MATURATION | 45% fermented and aged in oak barrel

ABV | 13.0% **TA** | 6.5 g/L **PH** | 3.2