



# MISSION HILL

*Family Estate*

## 2018 RESERVE PINOT NOIR

*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 Noir was farmed from our estate vineyards in Kelowna, West Kelowna, Naramata, and Oliver. The Lakeshore Vineyard in East Kelowna, first planted in 1994, is on a steep hillside that enjoys the lake's moderating influence and is ideally suited for this varietal. Naramata Ranch is a winemaker's dream with undulating elevations, multiple soil types and clones to select from, individualized blocks, and spectacular views.

### TASTING NOTES

A charming classic, our Reserve Pinot Noir delights with layers of red fruit and brambleberry. Delicate tannins, savoury notes and a subtle hint of herbal spice deliver a complex wine that is sure to enchant.

**VARIETAL** | 100% Pinot Noir

**APPELLATION** | Okanagan Valley BC VQA

**ESTATE** | Naramata (35%), Lakeshore (32%),  
East Kelowna (29%), West Kelowna (4%)

**MATURATION** | 10 Months French Oak

**ABV** | 13.6%   **TA** | 5.5 g/L   **PH** | 3.53

