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BLASTED CHURCH MALBEC-SYRAH 2008

Appellation: Okanagan Valley (VQA)

HARVEST NOTES

The 2008 harvest proved to be a steady and consistent vintage. There was balance between ripening (sugar development) and hang time (flavour development). This enables us to pick fruit that is not too high in sugar whilst waiting for flavours to be developed. The 2008 Malbec/Syrah displays the low alcohol and depth acquired in the vineyard.

WINEMAKING

The Malbec and Syrah were handpicked and vinified separately. The Blasted Church Syrah came off the vine on Oct.13th, 2008. The Malbec was harvested from Oliver on October 29th, 2008. Both lots of fruit were sorted for leaves and stems, followed by a 4-7 day cold soak. The must was then warmed and fermented using different strains to promote the individual varietal characters. Following fermentation the wines were pressed and the free run wines from each were barreled down in new French Oak for 20 months. The wine spent 14 months separately before being blended and put back into wood; where it was aged for an additional 6 months. The final blend is 50% Malbec and 50% Syrah.

WINEMAKER'S NOTE

Bouquet: Blueberry, black cherry, ripe plums, smoky, violets, espresso notes framed by crushed black pepper and soft vanilla.

Palate: Spicy/smoky flavours with black cherry, plum followed with a toasty vanilla finish.

Food Pairings: Pork empanadas with curry, Chinese style bbq ribs, Jambalaya and cheese quesadillas.

Varietal Profile	Brix at Harvest
Malbec - Oliver	22.6
Syrah - Blasted Church	23.0

Total acidity:	6.6g/L
Final pH:	3.69
Residual Sugar:	2.0g/L
Alcohol:	13.1%
Cases Produced:	96
CSPC:	+255992

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