

DRINKABILITY Ready to be enjoyed today but will be truly impressive after 2015.

VINIFICATION

Grapes are hand sorted upon arrival at winery, destemmed and crushed. Fermentation occurred in 17 stainless-steel custom-made cone-shaped fermentation tanks for a period of 10 days at a temperature between 28°C and 33°C.

The caps are hand punched during pigeage. Remontage, or pumping over, takes place using 3 Italian Francesca pumps. Following fermentation, the free-run wine is slowly transferred into oak barrels.

AGING	16 months in 60/40 split of new and one-year-old French oak barrels
RACKING	Every three months by gravity
TOTAL PRODUCTION	20,950 cases (6's)

BOTTLING CHEMISTRIES

ALCOHOL	13.8%
RS	1.4 g/l
PH	3.83

TOTAL ACIDITY 6.5 g/l tartaric acid

VINTAGE 2005

APPELLATION	Okanagan Valley, VQA British Columbia Canada
VINEYARD SIZE	80 acres (32 ha)
SOIL TYPE	Mix of sand, clay, rock and gravel
GRAPE VARIETIES	67% Merlot 23% Cabernet Sauvignon 4% Petit Verdot 4% Cabernet Franc 2% Malbec

VITICULTURE

TRELLISING SYSTEM	Bi-lateral cordon with vertical shoot positioning
PLANTING DENSITY	1,606 plants per acre 3,968 plants per ha
YIELDS	50 hl/ha
VINE MANAGEMENT	Hand leaf thinning Green harvesting
	HARVEST DATE BRIX AT HARVEST
Merlot	27.SEP.2005 27
Cabernet Sauvignon	26.OCT.2005 27
Petit Verdot	20.OCT.2005 27
Cabernet Franc	14.OCT.2005 27
Malbec	09.OCT.2005 27