ORIGINAL VINES
2022 CHARDONNAY

LOST HORN VINEYARD | OKANAGAN FALLS



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With over 200 acres of estate vineyards planted as far back as 1968, Mt. Boucherie is home to some of the oldest plantings in British Columbia. Original Vines focuses on farming and crafting wines that singularly express the most unique blocks of these heritage plantings. All of the vineyard blocks chosen for the Original Vines Collection were planted before the year 2000.

LOST HORN VINEYARD

This vineyard is located in Okanagan Falls, overlooking Vaseux Lake and McIntyre Bluff. First planted in 1990, it is home to a diverse collection of grape varieties and some of our favourite blocks. The soils feature mounds of glacially deposited rock with glaciofluvial sands and gravels.

WINEMAKING

Hand-picked and hand-sorted to ensure quality, the Chardonnay was then gently whole cluster pressed to minimize bitter phenolic extraction. Wild yeast kicked off ferment at 15C for 3 days before the must was racked into new French oak barriques and puncheons. After primary fermentation was completed, a malolactic conversion began, and a regime of daily bâtonnage took place until secondary fermentation was completed. 60% of the wine was aged further for 5 months in French oak, with the remaining component maturing in stainless steel to provide balance, freshness, and purity of fruit.

NOTES

Delicate notes of orchard fruit, almond, and a kiss of oak are met with a line of fresh, citrus-tinted acidity. Notes of lemon, peach, and orange blossom fill the glass while the palate showcases pineapple, fresh bread, and a hint French oak spice. Shellfish or hard cheeses would pair well.

SPECIFICATIONS + PLANTINGS

100% CHARDONNAY | BLOCK 16 | 1990

TA 6.3 g/L | 3.35 g/L R/S | 12.5% Alc.