MT. BOUCHERIE
ESTATE WINERY

ORIGINAL VINES
2022 PTG

LAZY RIVER VINEYARD | SIMILKAMEEN VALLEY



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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.

LAZY RIVER VINEYARD

Lazy River takes its name from the Similkameen River that winds through the bottom of this vineyard. Located about 10 km from the American border, this vineyard is warm enough for producing ripe fruit for the red varieties, while the higher elevation assists in the retention of acidity and freshness. The soils here are high in calcium carbonate derived from schist and granite which lends a desirable mineral sensation to the wine.

WINEMAKING

PTG is a long standing Burgundian acronym for a practice called "passetoutgrains", which loosely translates to "throw all the grapes in". This field blend of Pinot Noir, Gamay Noir, and Pinot Gris were combined into tank together where partial whole-berry fermentation began. This technique provides a fresh, fruit-forward, and lighter style red wine. It then spent 6 months in second-use French oak puncheons where the various components were able to fully integrate, creating a polished, intentional example of the style.

NOTES

The true spirit of a PTG shines through here: a red wine that is eminently quaffable and unapologetically light-bodied. The pale and translucent colour belies the structure and fresh fruit from the Gamay, the spiced complexity leant by the Pinot Noir, and the weighty mouthfeel offered by the Pinot Gris component.

45% Gamay | 35% Pinot Noir | 20% Pinot Gris

SPECIFICATIONS + PLANTINGS

GAMAY 1993 | P. NOIR 1996 | P. GRIS 1997

TA 5.7 g/L | RS 1.95 g/L | ALC 12.5%