

2018

# Block 12 Cabernet Sauvignon

SMALL LOT

100% CABERNET SAUVIGNON

Our Small Lot series is dedicated to limited production wines that we could not help but bottle on their own. Our small lot 2018 Cabernet Sauvignon carries all the elegance and poise of our lower terrace vineyard on the highly esteemed Black Sage Bench. This elegant wine is our first single varietal Cabernet Sauvignon from this site and is beautifully aromatic of ripe red fruit and cherry blossoms with a hint of oak spices which follows through on the palate. An embodiment of the distinctive terroir that is Phantom Creek Estates.

## The Vintage

A cool start to spring resulted in a slightly later than average bud break. However ideal flowering conditions were possible thanks to warmer temperatures and dry conditions in late spring. Summer was warm allowing for continued fruit development. And the classic long, dry and sunny fall conditions in October really helped with increased flavour development and acidity retention. Harvest 2018 was longer than usual due to the unique conditions experienced during the growing season, nevertheless a promising one.



VINTAGE  
2018

HARVEST DATE  
November 11

MATURATION  
20 months in French oak,  
25% new

BOTTLING DATE  
August 2020

AGEING POTENTIAL  
8-10 years

RESIDUAL SUGAR  
0.2 g/L

ALCOHOL  
14.5%

TOTAL ACIDITY  
5.4 g/L

pH  
3.8