

2019 Merlot
KOBAN VINEYARD
100% MERLOT

This 100% Merlot comes from our famed Kobau vineyard on the Golden Mile Bench. The nose of this wine exhibits ripe fruit notes of black plum and black currant with hints of cassis, leather, and herbes de Provence. The palate is rich and concentrated displaying baked dark cherry and plum wrapped around with sweet spice notes of clove leading to an earthy finish of cedar and tobacco. This Merlot is full-bodied, well-balanced with plush tannins and a pleasing finish.

Kobau Vineyard

The southerly aspect of the Kobau Vineyard on the Golden Mile Bench allow the vines to bask in the early morning sun. On gravelly soils, wines from this vineyard are known for being mineral-driven, well structured, with a balanced ripeness and fresh acidity.

ESTABLISHED
2005

ACRES
44.3

SOIL
Sand and gravel

ELEVATION
330-390m

The Vintage

A cooler April in 2019 was quickly followed by warm conditions in May and June resulting in perfectly timed bud break in the vineyards. Summer brought more warmth to the valley and temperatures remained average allowing the vines to fully develop without risk of shutting down. Harvest started with warm, dry conditions and this continued throughout until completion. The result was well balanced wines with vibrant fruit characters and freshness.

VINTAGE
2019

HARVEST DATE
October 19

MATURATION
20 months, 30% new oak

BOTTLING DATE
September, 2021

RESIDUAL SUGAR
0.09 g/L

ALCOHOL
14.7%

TOTAL ACIDITY
4.7 g/L

pH
3.7

