

# LE VIEUX PIN

## *Équinoxe Chardonnay 2011*

### THE WINEMAKERS NOTES

Équinoxe: equal day, equal night. Equal heat of the day, equal cold of the night. Equal new world, equal old world.

2011 was a long and cool growing season without the extreme daytime heat the South Okanagan is known for. This resulted in grapes that achieved full phenolic ripeness at record low sugar levels (and thus low alcohol levels). South Okanagan had an amazing fall with mild weather which gave us the luxury of a seven week long picking window. 2011 goes into the history book as an atypical, yet very welcome vintage.

Many factors contribute to the majesty of this wine: low yields, old vines, cool micro climate, prolonged fermentation and aging on the lees in the finest, most nuanced, French oak barrels. Severine cared for these 3 barrels like her own children and crafted a Chardonnay that is both elegant and structured. This is a wine that merits cellaring.

### RECOMMENDED FOOD PAIRING

Simple dishes: pan fried trout or halibut with a side of vegetables works perfectly and allows this wine to show you everything it has to offer.

### THE DETAILS

GRAPE VARIETY: *100% Chardonnay*  
REGION: *Golden Mile, Oliver*  
VINEYARD: *Susson*  
SOIL TYPE: *Fluvial fan: clay and schist*  
AGE OF VINES: *20+ years old*  
YIELD: *Average of 3.3 tons/acre*  
PRODUCTION SIZE: *75 Cases 750ml*  
ALCOHOL: *13.7%*  
AGING: *Fermented and aged in french oak for 10 months, 2 out of 3 barrels new*

### *2011 Équinoxe Chardonnay*

BC VQA OKANAGAN VALLEY

*Strength, complexity and finesse from the foundation for this limited release wine. Old vines, complex soil profile and a cool long growing season have given us an artfully layered wine to be treasured for many years to come.*

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SOIL *fluvial fan: clay & schist*  
AGING *French oak, 10 months, 68% new*  
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VINEYARD *Susson*  
VINTAGE *2011*

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