

## Petit Rouge 2020

The inspiration for Petit Rouge is to make a wine that adheres to the same exacting standards and level of care as the rest of the wines at Le Vieux Pin, yet at the same time is more accessible upon release. Made from the fruit of younger vines and vines pruned and cropped at less stringent levels, Petit Rouge offers a big bang for your buck.

This year's blend consists mostly of Syrah, Merlot, Cabernet Franc, and Cabernet Sauvignon thanks to a gorgeously classic summer growing season with a balanced crop. Cabernet Sauvignon, albeit in a smaller percentage as part of the blend, still makes its presence known on both the nose and the palate with that unique herbacious, spicy, black currant note. The palate is lively and harmonious and a great balance of fruit, tannin and acid make this wine quite versatile and very food friendly.

## RECOMMENDED FOOD PAIRING

This beauty goes well with so many different dishes. While it is perfectly fine to drink on its own, it is at the dinner table with food that this wine will shine brightly.

**Meat-Based:** Enjoy it with pork chops glazed with macerated red cherry sauce or with a pâté & charcuterie board.

**Plant-Based:** Vegan enchiladas or a hearty ratatouille on brisk fall evenings are perfect companions too!

BLEND: Merlot, Syrah and Cabernet Franc

GROWN: South Okanagan

YIELD: Average of 3.6 tons/acre

ALCOHOL: 13.3%

AGING: 5 months in stainless steek and concrete

PRODUCTION: 1575 cases

