

# Expression 2020

## TASTING

Expression is a small-lot Malbec-dominant blend from Clos du Soleil that is soft and full of fruit and spice, with a classic and elegant structure.

The taster is greeted with aromas of crushed black pepper, ripe black cherries, plums and allspice.

On the palate the wine is soft and layered, dominated by fresh ripe fruit flavours of cherries, and blackberries, pepper and cloves, and refreshing acidity.

This wine is silky and inviting, and completely food-friendly, yet retains all of the complexity and depth to truly engage the taster.

Try pairing with a mixed charcuterie platter, hard cheese and olives. Or a roast rack of lamb would be another excellent pairing.

## WINEMAKING

Each variety and each vineyard block was harvested separately, when judged to be at optimal maturity.

The fruit was destemmed, lightly crushed, and then fermented in small open-top fermentors with daily manual punchdowns.

Following pressing, the wine was aged in 100% French oak barrels (20% new) for 15 months, with no racking or handling prior to bottling.

Unfined, this wine was gently filtered prior to bottling under high-quality cork.

## TECHNICAL

**Harvest Dates:** 20 October (Cabernet Franc), 27 October (Malbec), 29 October (Cabernet Sauvignon), 2020

**Bottling Date:** 13 June 2022

**Vineyards:** La Côte Vineyard (Malbec), Clos du Soleil Estate Vineyard (Cabernet Sauvignon), Blind Creek Vineyard (Cabernet Franc), all from the Similkameen Valley, BC

**Varieties:** 60% Malbec, 20% Cabernet Sauvignon, 20% Cabernet Franc

**Total Production:** 114 cases



**Alc:** 13.8%   **pH:** 3.75   **Titrateable Acidity:** 6.39 g/L   **Residual Sugar:** 0.37 g/L   **SKU:** +252638 (750mL)



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