



TWO SISTERS *Vineyards*

2018 Unoaked Chardonnay – Pre-Release

Our winemaker Adam Pearce worked creatively to layer a combination of aromatics in unsurpassed complexity and freshness. With aromas of crisp apple and ripe citrus fruit, this wine demonstrates the character of the oldest Chardonnay vineyard in Canada, exclusively for Two Sisters from Lenko vineyards. Whole cluster pressing and careful yeast selection was followed by cool fermentation to boost the aromatics. Lees were retained with the wine during aging to build texture. On the palate, this Chardonnay is highlighted with the Escarpment's famous limestone minerality that effortlessly frames the sensation of fruit sweetness. Extended lees contact, including some bâtonnage (stirring of the lees), provides a creamy, mouth-pleasing experience. Hints of ginger and cinnamon round out the expression.

2017 Unoaked Chardonnay

The 2017 Unoaked Chardonnay was sourced from vineyards that would combine to create a wine with carefully balanced vibrant fruit, bright acidity, and rich texture. Each lot is fermented and aged separately in small stainless-steel vessels. The winemaking team gently handles the juice, and later wine, to preserve the wine's delicate aromatics.

“This wine is bright and fresh with brilliant lemon-green highlights. Bright pear, yellow apple, and Meyer lemon aromatics carry through on the substantial palate. Ginger and baking spice notes, and a slight creaminess adds complexity and weight through a lengthy finish.”

Adam Pearce, Winemaker

93 Points – Dean Tudor

2014 Cabernet Sauvignon

There is something about our Niagara River VQA terroir that produces, vintage to vintage, some of the most ripe and rich Cabernet Sauvignons in the peninsula. Although the 2014 harvest was relatively small, the quality was exceptional. Low yields of less than 1 tonne per acre, careful vineyard management, and extended hang time deep into November allowed the fruit to achieve optimal ripeness and flavour development. The concentration is evident in the deep and opaque ruby colour of the wine. The nose is a wonderful and integrated combination of ripe black fruits, exotic spices, tobacco, and licorice. Extended barrel aging with a limited amount of new French oak provides the savoury nuances of wood, smoke, and toast. Intense flavours of black currants and cassis, dark chocolate, licorice, cedar, and tobacco compliment the balanced texture of fine tannins and alcohol. The finish lingers enjoyably.

2015 Merlot

It was unusually cold and dry through March, which resulted in anxiety about crop damage. Luckily, April through June were relatively normal and followed by a very dry July and excellent summer conditions. The fall brought beautiful warm weather for the start of harvest, with warmer than usual weather continuing through the Merlot harvest in October. Only 3 tonnes were harvested from our 20 acres on the estate, as the vineyard was still recovering from the harsh winters of 2013 and 2014. This wine aged for 30 months in 100% French oak barrels. The nose is beautifully aromatic, with intense notes of ripe fruit, black raisins, dried tea leaves, and chocolate. The palate is dominated by rich fruits, with purple plums, black cherries, and blueberries. The classic velvety texture of this carefully crafted Merlot creates an exceptional mouthfeel. Beyond the normal expectations for a Merlot, the extraordinary quality and character make this wine a must for every cellar.

2013 Stone Eagle Estate Reserve

The Stone Eagle family is a careful barrel selection of each vintages most complex, elegant, and age-worthy wines. 2013 was not an easy vintage, requiring vigilant monitoring of the estate throughout the summer, and careful selection in the cellar. This dedication was rewarded by elegantly aromatic wines; with reds displaying good concentration, refined silky tannins, and balanced acidity. Our 2013 Stone Eagle Estate Reserve shows cool climate Merlot's bright blueberry and dark plum character, combined with the silky texture characteristic of the Niagara River appellation.

93 Points – John Szabo, Wine Align

93 Points – David Lawrason, Wine Align

93 Points – Rick Vansickle

2017 Riesling

Niagara Peninsula Riesling is recognized as world class, and some of the most flavoured of these wines comes from the cooler, limestone-rich Escarpment benches. The summer of 2017 was cool and rainy, leading to great acidity in the crop. The fall was warm and sunny, resulting in exceptional flavour development. This Riesling is brilliantly clear and bright. The nose is bursting with fresh, ripe citrus, and honey. The wine is crisp, characterized by electric acidity with flavours of Meyer lemon, white grapefruit, and tangerine. The characteristic minerality hovers in the background. Wonderfully contrasting and balancing sweetness throughout. The 2017 Riesling is a great candidate for pairing with appetizers and early courses, such as a salad with vinaigrette or roasted vegetables. It also pairs perfectly with Asian cuisine, and dishes featuring chicken or white fish.

2018 Chardonnay – New Release

The grapes for this wine were hand-harvested from premium, old vine Chardonnay vineyards in Niagara (81% Lenko and 19% Foxcroft). The berries were gently whole cluster pressed before being transferred to barrel. Solids were also transferred to the barrels for texture. 100% French oak was used, comprising of mostly barriques (20% new) and 5 puncheon (500 Litre) barrels. This Chardonnay spent 7 months in barrel with regular bâtonnage (stirring of the lees) to increase texture and mouthfeel in the finished wine. The nose is expressive with notes of green apple, peach, ripe citrus, oak, smoke, and toast. Hints of ginger, vanilla, and cinnamon are also evident. The palate reflects the nose, smooth with a wonderful balance of fruit, barrel notes, and spices. Exceptional texture is immediately evident, as the richness of the mouthfeel enhances the flavours.

93 Points – Rick Vansickle

2018 Rosé

Our 2018 Rosé was produced from an early harvest of estate fruit for delicate aromatics and flavor. It is comprised of 11.5% Cabernet Franc, 11.5% Cabernet Sauvignon, and is predominantly 77% Merlot to add nuance and perfume to the wine. Farmed with intent for Rosé production, it had very little skin contact, mostly from the short journey from the vineyard directly to the press. A long, slow, and cool fermentation assured that the fresh aromatics were retained. To build some texture after fermentation, the wine was allowed light lees contact for a couple of months. It was put into bottle early in January 2018 to maintain its dramatic and bright vibrancy. This wine has aromas of red berries and cherries, with a definite ‘candied’ character. Hints of cranberry and watermelon are also evident. Although this wine is dry and fresh, the palate is very much about subtle but ripe fruit, showing strawberries, cherries, and watermelon. Notes of cherry pit and lemon zest persist. Beautifully balanced, with just the right amount of alcohol to match these delicate flavours. Softness persists through the surprisingly long finish.

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2016 Eleventh Post

Eleventh Post is our vineyard blend of red grapes grown on the estate. This popular wine was not made in the 2014 and 2015 vintages. The 2016 vintage was sunny and warm, with a long fall, ideal for ripening. This wine is a blend of 72% Merlot, 16% Cabernet Sauvignon, and 12% Cabernet Franc. The wine aged in predominantly French oak barrels for 31 months. The wine becomes an expressive combination of these three grape varieties. The intense nose is complex and layered with aromas of fruits, herbs, and spices. Aromas of black cherries and currants, plums, sage, tomato leaf, and leather are evident. This wine has a pronounced mouthfeel, as the chalky tannins and acidity balance the flavour profile. A long, complicated finish completes the tasting experience, as this beautiful wine continues to express itself.

91 Points – Rick Vansickle