





## NOTES:

# UNICUS

VINTAGE 2018

VARIETAL BLEND Grüner Veltliner

APPELLATION

Okanagan Valley

VINEYARD

Margaret's Bench

HARVEST DATE September 27 & 28

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BRIX AT HARVEST  $_{24^\circ}$ 

TITRATABLE ACIDITY 6.67 g/L

pH 3.28 RESIDUAL SUGAR 3.2 g/L

FERMENTATION VESSEL

35% Concrete Egg

26% Concrete Amphora

22% Stainless Steel

17% Neutral French Oak barrels

**FERMENTATION** 

100% Indigenous Yeasts

ALCOHOL

14%

BOTTLING DATE

March 14, 2019

AGING POTENTIAL 2019-2023

#### VINTAGE CONDITIONS

A cool start in 2018 resulted in a slightly later budbreak at the end of April, with warm temperatures in May leading to early flowering. Warm conditions continued until mid-summer, at which point temperatures cooled to bring seasonal veraison in mid-August. This swing of the pendulum allowed for phenolic and flavour development to finally catch up with that of sugar development for a well-balanced profile in all varieties.

### TASTING NOTES

Delicate floral notes of acacia, slivered almond, and leavening bread accompany classical 'Unicus' notes of chalk and citrus, with this vintage centring around white grapefruit pith and lemon-lime aromas. Focused and vibrant, Granny Smith apple and citrus flavours carry and support Unicus' mid-palate weight right through to the subtly-mineral finish.

## FOOD PAIRING SUGGESTIONS

Baby arugula salad with snap pea, pistachio, and slivered Asiago; white asparagus velouté with crème fraiche and lemon oil; grapefruit zest stringozzi with pecorino and fresh ground white pepper; veal escalope with green apple, celery and walnut relish; poached wild Coho salmon with lemon balm hollandaise drizzle; surface ripened goat cheese like Chabichou du Poitou and Salt Spring Island Cheese Co's Blue Juliette.