

STAG'S
HOLLOW



Celebrating 25 years

2018 *Dolcetto*



Vineyards & Geographical Indications

Shuttleworth Creek Vineyard, Okanagan Falls Sub-GI

Tasting Notes

A vibrant and unapologetic wine. Electric purple in colour, with a nose that tiptoes between vibrant fruit and earthy notes. Bright flavours of sour cherries, Italian prune plums, blueberry pie and bramble mingle with more masculine notes of earth, dried violets, spice, dark chocolate and savoury botanicals. This profile carries through to the palate, where the earthiness of the wine is enhanced by soft, chalky tannins, and complimented by its youthful, juicy acidity.

Winemaker Notes

Dolcetto is a grape that consistently inspires experimentation and excitement, with every new vintage. In 2018, we decided to experiment with delestage (a two-step "rack-and-return" process in which fermenting red wine juice is separated from the grape solids by racking and then returned to the fermenting vat to re-soak the solids) through the peak of fermentation, which has resulted in a wine with deliciously soft tannins, and vibrantly expressive grape character.

Production Notes

Hand-harvested fruit from our Shuttleworth Creek vineyard was sorted, destemmed, lightly crushed and fermented in 1-ton open-topped fermenters, using selected yeast strains. The ferment was punched-down by hand 2-4 times daily, and then at the peak of fermentation, delestaged daily. The ferments were pressed off into concrete and stainless steel tanks, where they completed alcoholic fermentation, and then malolactic conversion. The wine aged gracefully here for 8 months, when it was finally racked and blended together. The wine was bottled in September 2019, after being stabilized and lightly filtered.

Technical Data

Varietals: 100% Dolcetto

Alcohol: 13.0% alc/vol

Residual Sugar: 1.9 g/L

Total Acidity: 6.0 g/L

pH: 3.34

Harvest Dates: Oct 5 & 16, 2018

Bottling Date: September 2019

Release Date: August 2020

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Food Pairings

Classic: pizza, charcuterie, mushroom & sausage pasta, spaghetti & meatballs, tomato-based zucchini "zoodle" dishes, game, duck, lamb, roasted root vegetables

Adventurous: paella, cheese-based pastas, beef & pork empanadas, burgers, jambalaya

Ageing Potential

Now and over the next 3 to 5 years.

Case Production

658 cases, 750ml bottles

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