

EQUIPOISE 2022

e-qui-poise ('ekwə,poiz) means balance or a state of equilibrium. At Tightrope we strive for balance in everything we do, especially in our wine. This blend of Merlot (20%), Syrah (40%) and Cab Franc (40%) reflects the unique terroir of the Naramata Bench.

VINEYARD NOTES

Sustainably grown grapes were sourced & handpicked exclusively from Fleet Road & Thomas vineyards Tightrope Estates on the Naramata bench

WINEMAKER NOTES

Each varietal is vinified separately before blending. The grapes are cold soaked for up to 5 days before small lot fermentation begins. The temperature is carefully controlled to get good colour and tannin extraction without striping the delicate fruit flavours. In total the wine spends about 21 days on skins. Our hands-on approach creates wines that are well rounded, approachable, yet suitable for aging. The varietals were then aged separately for 10 to 12 months in French Oak - 50% new, prior to blending.

PROFILE

Dark fruit such as cherries, plums and blackberries; sage, tobacco, leather velvety tannins, long finish

Pairing: Roast Beef, Venison, Hard cheeses & pasta with roasted peppers & shallots



WINE SPECS

VINTAGE 2022

VARIETAL Merlot (20%), Syrah (40%), Cab Franc (40%)

APPELLATION Naramata Bench

HARVEST DATE October 8tt, 2022 Merlot 20%,

October 15th, 2022 Syrah 40 %, Nov, 2nd, 2022 Cabernet Franc 40%

FERMENTATION Small separate lots, 21 days

AGEING 12 months French Oak (50% new)

BOTTLING DATE Feb 28, 2024

CASES PRODUCED 133

BRIX -

RESIDUAL SUGAR 2.37 g/L

ACID 6.6 g/L

pH 3.61

ALCOHOL 12.7%

TA 7.435g/L

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