

# BLACK HILLS ESTATE WINERY

## 2021 CARMENERE



### VINTAGE NOTES

The 2021 growing season got off to a slow start with a cool and damp spring and flowering period. However, a dry and warm July, August and September allowed the vines to quickly be able to make up for lost time. With smaller than average crop levels and perfect ripening conditions from September through to Thanksgiving, the fruit was able to achieve excellent flavour and phenolic ripeness, and was harvested with high levels of concentration and aromatic intensity. An outstanding vintage that has produced bold red wines that are full of character.

### TASTING NOTES

The intensely aromatic 2021 Carmeneré shows blueberry and red currant on the nose, along with toasted anise and subtle hints of eucalyptus. The palate has impressive richness, plushness and concentration. Elegant fine tannins contribute to the wines velvety texture, and there is fresh acidity on the long finish. Very fragrant and enticing in its youth, this Carmeneré is one to enjoy now or cellar for five years.

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### WINEMAKING

**Harvesting:** Hand Harvested. Destemmed. Berry Sorted.

**Fermentation:** Fermented with wild yeasts.

**Maturation:** 10 months in French oak foudres, puncheons and barrels - 12% new oak.

**Cases produced:** 593

**ABV:** 13.5% **PH:** 3.9 **TA:** 6.8 **RS:** 0.1

### BLEND

100% Carmeneré