

Harvest Date	<b>рН</b>
September 27, 2021	3.7
Cases Produced	<b>Acidity</b>
1710	6.1 g/L
<b>Price</b> \$33.00 plus tax & deposit (750 mL)	<b>R.S.</b> 0.6 g/L
	<b>Alcohol</b> 14.9%

# BLIND TRUST RED 2021

**INSIDER TIP:** Blind taste the Blind Trust and try to guess the varietals before disclosing the assets which are kept under wrap and seal of the capsule.

#### **Wine Profile**

A blind trust is a financial trust in which the executors have full discretion over the assets, and the trust beneficiaries have no knowledge of the holdings of the trust. In this case, our Blind Trust is a wine in which the winemaker has full discretion over the blend, so you'll just have to trust us. The Blind Trust is the second label of our big Bordeaux-inspired blend Portfolio. Its robust taste profile and affordable pricing make it a solid investment.

Always a secretive blend, the 2021 vintage offers fresh ripe berries and tobacco on the nose. Brimming with cherry, rhubarb and strawberry and complimented by sweet and smoky tobacco. On the palate the fruit shines while also offering undertones of cedar, cloves, and old leather. The wine is approachable with well-integrated tannins and a long spicy finish. Enjoy now or hold until your investment has fully matured. 2023-2030

#### **Winemaking Notes**

Grapes are handpicked and hand sorted both by cluster and berry upon arrival at the winery. Fermentation is done mainly in stainless steel, with some oak fermenters and extended maceration on some lots. While both Blind Trust and Portfolio, our flagship blend, are treated exactly the same for the first 15 months, the selection process is about making Portfolio the best it can be, while making the Blind Trust approachable and better suited for drinking early-on. Tough decisions indeed, especially when each vintage has hundreds of barrels with 6 varietals from a dozen vineyard blocks.

If you want to blind taste the Blind Trust, read no further. Spoiler alert: 31% Merlot, 28% Cabernet Franc, 27% Cabernet Sauvignon, and 14% Malbec to create a multi-layered, complex wine.

#### Vintage Notes

The 2021 growing season is one that will be remembered for a long time. The season was marked by intense heat in the Okanagan. The resulting budbreak gave us berries that grew to a small size and the clusters were loose. These small berries had a high concentration of flavour, colour, and tannins.

The vintage started out slow but by mid summer the vines were progressing well. The crop was light in general which allowed the quality to really shine. Loosely formed bunches with smaller than average berry size, allowed for full sunlight penetration with resultant development of intense fruit flavours.

#### Vineyard

Fruit is from multiple sites in Oliver, Naramata and Osoyoos including the Perfect Hedge Vineyard.

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