



OROFINO

Single vineyard wine grown in the Similkameen Valley's beautiful cool climate **Olalla Gap**.

Unrelenting winds.
River rock soils.
Hand-picked.
Crushed with intention.
Dark. Graceful. Soft. Wild.
Unfiltered - Unfined.

SIMILKAMEEN VALLEY BC VQA

750 ml

12.8% alc./vol.

RED WINE / VIN ROUGE
PRODUCT OF CANADA /
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Contains: Sulphites
Contient: Sulfites L260223



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2152 BARCELO RD,
CAWSTON BC V0X 1C2

A most unusual and rare offering from Orofino

THE VINEYARD

Grown in the unique Pozza Vineyard situated in the cooler Olalla Gap area of the Similkameen Valley. These are the original plantings here and have been productive through all that the Canadian weather has thrown at it. This is one tough hybrid variety. 20 year old vines on a North facing slope with morning and late afternoon mountain shade results in long, slow ripening and time to shed herbaceousness without excessive sugar gain. Perfect for making a certain style of fresh and gulpable red wine.

THE WINEMAKING

This 100% Marechal Foch was carefully crafted to get the best of what this hybrid variety can offer. 2 different picks were used to gain complexity. The grapes were carefully destemmed to leave whole berries to ferment carbonically in closed tanks under CO₂. As the grapes broke down and split, the grapes were pressed off to finish fermentation in stainless steel. The wine was moved into old 500L puncheons for a rest before it was bottled in late February. No fining and no filtration was used.

THE WINE

Typically very dark purple in colour, this wine will surprise. Low tannins from fermentation techniques employed, coupled with the natural softness of Foch, means this is extremely easy to drink. Throw it in the fridge for 15 minutes to cool it down a bit and enjoy all summer long with BBQ and friends. Notes of pepper, loads of black and blue fruits, iron, and wild game show up throughout. Delicious now through 2029.

THE LABEL

We again turned to our artist friend Coranne Creswell for an Orofino label. "Gato Diablo" epitomizes what this wine is all about. Curious, mischievous, aloof, and a bit of a badass that will defy the norm and conventions.

Alcohol: 12.8%

TA: 5.3 g/l

pH 3.95

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