POMUM CELLARS



2020 JOKER'S WILD

Please welcome our inaugural release of the Joker's Wild series of wines. These wines are offered exclusively to Pomum's wine club and will vary from vintage to vintage depending on which grapes piqued our interest

Vintage:

The 2020 growing season was a relatively warm year for Washington with a significantly smaller crop than average. Wet and cool weather contributed to poor fruit set at bloom which compounded the effects of prior winter damage and lead to considerably low yields. Harvest began the first week of September and proceeded fairly quickly due to the low crop and warm ripening temperatures. A significant smoke event arrived in September from Oregon wildfires and somewhat delayed ripening. This smoke affected the phenolic composition in some regions although our vineyards were spared. A late October freeze shut down the vines right after we were finished picking.

Wine:

The inaugural release of our Joker's Wild wine is an old vine Petit Verdot from our own Konnowac Estate Vineyard. Legend has it that these vines may be some of the oldest Petit Verdot vines in Washington. We pulled the best two barrels of this lot just for you. These vines are old and tired and tend to ripen at the very bitter end with plenty of freshness and moderate ripeness. On the nose it is expressive with cherry cola and red currant. Flavors are characterized by fresh red fruit, rose and a hint of lavender. The wine is young and nervy in the palate with luscious fruit and great length. We would advise you exercise some patience and start opening bottles in 2024 and beyond.

Blend Composition:

Petit Verdot: 100 %

Konnowac Estate Vineyard Yakima

Valley AVA

Technical Details:

PH: 3.83

<u>Titratable Acidity:</u> 5.85 g/l <u>Alcohol:</u> 14.5% by volume <u>Production:</u> 50 cases of 750 ml

Maturation: Aged in used 225 liter French

oak barrels for 18 months.

Bottled: July 26, 2022. Matured in bottle for an

additional 10 months before release.