MARQUETTE

ORIGIN

Marquette is an inter-specific hybrid and a grandson of Pinot Noir. It was developed at the University of Minnesota, and is a cross between two other hybrids, MN 1094 and Ravat 262 (offspring of Pinot Noir).

VITICULTURAL CHARACTERISTICS

Marquette is moderately vigourous and produces about 2 clusters per shoot, which eliminates the need for cluster thinning. It ripens early and is cold hardy to -35°C. It is an ideal variety for Nova Scotia, and has the potential to create exceptional wines.

COMMON WINE STYLES

Marquette is the winemaker's grape. It responds differently to many cellar treatments, but the best examples exhibit complex flavours of plum, peppers, cherry and blackcurrant.

PLANTERS RIDGE PRODUCTS

Marquette is an exciting variety for us. It works well as a component for our blends, but also can stand alone in the right vintage. We see great potential in this variety for elevating the red wines of Nova Scotia.