



HUNT • & • HARVEST

N A P A V A L L E Y



2016 MERLOT NAPA VALLEY

VINTAGE: 2016

VARIETAL: 94% Merlot, 3% Cabernet Sauvignon, 3% Petit Verdot

ALCOHOL: 12.5%

MATURATION: 10 months in 20% new French oak

WINEMAKER'S COMMENTS:

This wine displays the hallmark characteristics of Napa Valley Merlot crafted in a classic and food friendly style. In the glass the wine is vibrant garnet red in color and has lifted aromatics of red plum, cranberry and cocoa. The fruit on the palate is bright with a depth of with dark plum and red berries leading to spice on the finish. The prominent acid line throughout the palate fits neatly with the mid-weight tannin profile and leads to a finish that has touches of bitter dark chocolate.

GROWING SEASON:

An early bud break, wet spring soils, and a long growing season produced a vintage with excellent quality. A wet spring started fast and rapid growth was met with average summer temperatures, which slowed development and reduced yields. The result was a moderate crop of well-concentrated fruit that ripened fully and slowly before an early harvest.

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