

2022 ESTATE MT. GEORGE | COOMBSVILLE

MERLOT

Winemaking

VARIETAL COMPOSITION

95% Merlot, 3% Cabernet Franc 2% Cabernet Sauvignon

BRIX AT HARVEST

Average 25.5°

MACERATION

Average 17 days

BARREL AGING REGIMEN

Aged 17 months in French and Hungarian oak

pH: 3.54 | **TA:** 6.32 g/L | **RS**: 10 g/L

ALCOHOL: 14.6% by volume

PRODUCTION: 4,000 cases

WINEMAKER

Alison Rodriguez

HERITAGE

MT. GEORGE (100%) – Located east of Napa in Coombsville, Mt. George Vineyard is the site of one of the first grape plantings in the valley in the 19th century. It climbs the western slopes of an ancient volcano whose name the vineyard bears.

Soils + Climate

The cooler climate and deep, gravelly soils derived from volcanic rock and ash provide depth to this structured Merlot.

Vintage

The winter of 2021-2022 had minimal rainfall, adding to drought conditions in Napa Valley. With mild winter and spring temperatures, budbreak was earlier than average. Summer was warm and dry, with above average temperatures in August and September, leading to an early and condensed harvest, with plenty of ripe fruit flavors. The Merlot harvest was completed on September 22nd.

Tasting Notes

The 2022 Merlot offers aromas and flavors of supple red cherry, pomegranate, cocoa powder, and vanilla. The texture is silky smooth with well-integrated tannins.

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