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EAST SIDE VINEYARD

2021 MERLOT

Dry Creek Valley, Sonoma County

THE BACKGROUND

The source for our Merlot comes from three vineyard blocks off our estate vineyard located along Dry Creek Road planted in the early 1990s. East Side Vineyard has natural benches that flank Dry Creek Valley and rise gradually from the valley floor. Characterized by sloped topography and gravelly residual soils, the unique growing conditions combine to bring out the best in our Merlot.

THE VINTAGE

The growing season in 2021 was near textbook in conditions and was followed by a warm harvest. Drought conditions sped up maturity, intensity of flavors, and color. The grapes were harvested in the second week of September showing a rich concentrated wine with intense varietal flavors and mild acids.

WINEMAKER TASTING NOTES

Aromas of dark red fruits and a touch of cooking spices. Flavors of cherry and plum are showcased with vanilla toast notes. Medium-bodied with soft tannins which follow through to a long, fruity finish. It is a beautifully balanced wine.

COMPOSITION | 100% Merlot

ESTATE VINEYARD SOURCE | East Side Vineyard

VINE AGE & FARMING | Low Eastern Bench of Dry Creek Valley

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SOIL | Yolo Sandy Loam

WINEMAKING | The fruit was crushed into a small capacity stainless steel tank fermenter with daily pump-overs of the juice allowing a substantial increase in extraction of color, tannins, and flavor.

BARREL AGING | 14 months in American Oak barrels, 30% new oak

ALCOHOL 13.7% PH 3.35 TOTAL ACIDITY .600g/ml CASES PRODUCED 590



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