



2017 MERLOT SAINT HELENA, NAPA VALLEY

Technical Information

Varietal: 100% Merlot

Barrel program: 20 months in barrel

Case Production: 253

Alcohol: 14.9%

Tasting Notes

The 2017 Trinitas Merlot from St. Helena showcases the elegance and approachable nature of Merlot from this renowned Napa Valley sub-region. In the glass, it displays a rich ruby color with garnet highlights. The nose is inviting, featuring aromas of ripe red cherries, black plums, and raspberry compote, complemented by nuances of cocoa, warm baking spices, and a hint of vanilla bean. On the palate, this Merlot is medium to full-bodied with a silky texture and polished tannins. Flavors of dark berries and red currants are prominent, layered with notes of mocha, cinnamon, and a touch of toasted oak. The wine's balanced acidity adds freshness, while hints of dried herbs and a subtle earthiness provide complexity. The finish is long and smooth, leaving lingering impressions of dark chocolate and a touch of spice.

Winemaking Notes

The grapes went through a 5-day cold soak to extract maximum color. The wine was pumped over 4 times daily, pressed to barrel and aged in 50% new French oak with minimal racking during its 20 months of aging.

Vintage Notes

The 2017 growing season experienced a wet spring and hot summer that allowed us to craft wines that are incredibly approachable with lots of delicious, lively, and rich fruit

Suggested Retail Price: \$60

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