

2018 Merlot

APPELLATION SERIES

77% Acquarello and 13% Domenico Estate Vineyards

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Composition: Appellation: Alcohol: Residual Sugar: Case Production: Aging: 100% Merlot Paso Robles 14.5% ABV 0.24 g/L 698 cases bottled on September 16, 2020 22 months in 11% new French oak

TASTING NOTES

Ripe raspberry jumps from the bouquet with secondary aromas of vanilla, clove and spicy toasted oak. The balanced acidity carries dried fig and cranberry with chocolatecovered almond across the palate. The well-integrated tannins offer a medium mouthfeel and smooth finish. As the beautiful garnet color suggests, this wine is enjoyable with or without food.

WINEMAKER'S PRODUCTION NOTES

Winemaking practices used during fermentation increased the skin contact for greater expression of the wide variety of flavors. This rich Merlot certainly won't go sideways.

SUGGESTED FOOD PAIRING

Prosciutto-wrapped and goat cheese-stuffed figs with balsamic glaze