



CORLEY FAMILY NAPA VALLEY

VINTAGE 1990
MONTICELLO VINEYARDS
Estate Grown Merlot

Small winery; Big reputation. The CORLEY FAMILY grows and produces 15,000 cases of exclusively Napa Valley wines designated as MONTICELLO VINEYARDS, CORLEY RESERVE and our CORLEY Proprietary Red Wine. We grow Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc, Merlot, Chardonnay and Pinot Noir on the five small vineyard sites in the Oak Knoll, Yountville, Rutherford and St. Helena appellations of Napa Valley.

Tasting Notes *Our Vintage 1990 Estate Grown Merlot displays soft aromatics of blackberry and blueberry with hints of the toasted oak in which it was aged for 18 months. Full-bodied, it is deeply concentrated and power packed with plum and cassis. The wine is richly textured and the fruit is accompanied by spiciness and well integrated tannins.*

As when this wine was released it is still a suitable accompaniment for lamb, duck and vegetarian dishes like ratatouille.

Vineyard Locations *Home Ranch Vineyard and Knollwood Vineyard - Oak Knoll District of Napa Valley*

Our Merlot vineyards are planted to Clones #181 on #3309 rootstock. Our Merlot grapes are lush and power packed with intense berry flavors and an abundance of bright fruit. The soil structure of this vineyard block of alluvial and clay and is similar to some of the great estates of France.

Vintage 1990 vintage is regarded to be among the best of a series of excellent vintages through the 80s and into the 90s. Very similar to 1997 the long, consistent, dry growing season resulted in extra hang-time resulting in extremely rich, deep texture and concentrated ripe fruit.

Barrel Aging 18 Months French Oak

Alcohol 13.7
